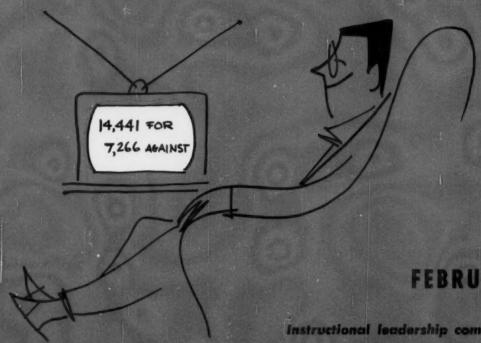
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Among the Authors



James H. Williams

Is the effective administrator automatically an educational leader? Not necessarily, says JAMES H. WILLIAMS, and he develops this thesis on page 43. Dr. Williams began his educational career as a teacher and school administrator in Texas. After a navy stint during World War II he became assistant superintendent of schools in

Alameda County, Oakland, Calif., and then moved to Richmond, Calif., as deputy superintendent of schools. Since January 1955 he has been superintendent of schools at Glendale, Calif.

The school nurse today is both educator and nurse. On page 63 GERTRUDE E. CROMWELL, supervisor of nursing for public schools in Denver, tells how school nurses there function as members of the educational team. Miss Cromwell began her career as a teacher in Pennsylvania, later becoming a school nurse in New York. She has taught hygiene at Teachers College, New Paltz, N.Y., Wells College, Aurora, N.Y., and State Teachers College, West Chester, Pa., where she was also assistant dean of women. Before going to Denver, Miss Cromwell was supervisor of health education and school nursing in Des Moines, Iowa. She is a past president of the American School Health Association and has been assistant editor of the association's journal since 1946. In 1953, the association conferred upon her the William How Award for distinguished contributions to school health. She is the author of "Health of the School Child," published in 1946.

Originally a space saving expedient, the classroom lunchroom has achieved recognition in its own right, says MARGARET E. TERRELL (p. 114). Dr. Terrell has been associated with the University of Washington since 1928, when she was appointed instructor in home economics and director of residence and dining halls. She still holds the latter position and is now professor of home economics and director of the administrative dietitian training course at the university. Under the "hobby" category, Miss Terrell notes that she is the owner of Terrell Dining Service, which includes four industrial lunchrooms and a commercial restaurant! She is not a stranger to the public schools, having served as principal and superintendent in two Iowa school systems.

Merit rating—from the point of view of the classroom teacher—was the subject of a study conference sponsored by the N.E.A.'s Department of Classroom Teachers last fall. ROBERT A. SKAIFE summarizes the discussions and

recommendations of the group on page 83. As N.E.A. field representative for the office of the assistant executive secretary for field operations, Dr. Skaife works with field workers of state teachers associations, promotes N.E.A. membership, and travels extensively, interpreting the N.E.A. and its services. Before taking this position in 1955, he was field secretary for the N.E.A.'s National Commission for the Defense of Democracy Through Education. Earlier in his career, he taught in Massachusetts and was principal of schools in Vermont and Maryland.

Eat to learn—or learn to eat? It's the latter that should be the primary emphasis in the school lunch program, says G. ROBERT KOOPMAN (p. 49). As associate state superintendent of public instruction, Dr. Koopman has been associated with the Michigan curriculum program since its beginning in 1935. In March he will begin



G. Robert Koopman

his term of office as president of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development of the N.E.A., having already served on A.S.C.D.'s board of directors for two three-year terms. During his years in education, Dr. Koopman has served as teacher, principal, supervisor and superintendent. In 1951-52 he held the position of chief of the education and cultural relations division in the Office of the U.S. High Commissioner for Germany, while on leave of absence from his Michigan post.

What grouping practices do your classroom teachers use? WALLACE H. STREVELL and PAULINE OLIVER have turned up 24 varieties; on page 89 they discuss the values of flexible grouping. For the last five years Dr. Strevell has been professor of education and chairman of the department of administration and supervision in the University of Houston College of Education. In 1953 he organized the Gulf School Research Development Association, which provides research and service for member school systems in the Texas Gulf Coast region; he also serves as director of that association. Currently, Dr. Strevell is on leave of absence from his university post, doing a school finance study with the New York State Department of Education. Before going to Texas, he had held administrative and consultant's positions in New York State schools. . . . Mrs. Oliver is a research fellow in the college of education, University of Houston, and managing editor of the Gulf School Researcher. She was research assistant to the study commission on pupil grouping of the Gulf School Research Development Association, which reported the study of grouping practices discussed in the article.



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Curtain going up on administration's big show . . . School systems need overhauling . . . We are measured by results

By CALVIN GRIEDER, professor of school administration, University of Colorado

Biggest Show on Earth. The curtain is about to be rung up on the biggest show on earth in educational administration-the A.A.S.A. convention at Atlantic City, N. J.

It would be easy to understand how school administrators could get the idea from this array of exhibits, speeches and panels that administration is the alpha and omega of public education. Undoubtedly some are bemused into exaggerated opinions of their own importance. For others whose ego has been bruised a bit in the ceaseless battles on the home front, the therapeutic effect of this great conclave is undeniable. One gets a much needed lift from being a part of this massive convention and from talking with professional colleagues fom all parts of the country.

Without intending to throw a single drop of cold water on the proceedings, I want to express the hope that in the supercharged atmosphere of the Atlantic City meeting we will remember that administration is not an end in itself. It is ancillary to the central task of instruction and must be judged by how well it promotes creative, efficient and productive teaching.

Need for Overhauling. Since 1940 unprecedented growth has occurred in city school systems, and there is no sign it will level off in the near future. This development demands that administrative organization be rigorously examined and steps taken, if necessary, to make it accord with the current situation.

If a city school system has not overhauled its administrative setup within the last five to ten years, it is almost a certainty that its administration is working under handicaps of inadequate staff and cumbersome structure.

One tendency in a period of expansion is failure to appoint additional

staff members to keep pace with growing demands. This results in gradually increasing overloads for the staff and the neglect of work that should be done. Another tendency, where some effort is made to keep pace, is to create new bureaus and appoint some new staff members with little regard for fitting these new elements into the total pattern. In general, educational administration at all levels, from the elementary school to the university, is understaffed, and in large school systems and institutions it is also in need of streamlining.

As one approaches the study of administrative reorganization, a thoroughgoing review of the work to be done and of the present structure and staffing should be the first step. Then an attempt should be made to group related areas of work under a few toplevel administrators. In a city school system these may be designated as associate or assistant superintendents and directors. The superintendent of schools should work closely with a relatively small number of persons.

Some suggested major divisions are curriculum and instruction, business affairs, personnel (certificated and noncertificated), school census and attendance, research (educational, business and finance, school plant development), and community services. The superintendent should have at least one administrative assistant, and the person in charge of public information may well be assigned to him also.

Appropriate bureaus should be created for each major division. For example, in the division of business affairs, there may be bureaus for budgeting and accounting; payroll; supply purchase, storage and distribution; food service and insurance. In the division of curriculum and instruction, appropriate subdivisions would be elementary education, secondary education,

adult education, special education, and perhaps vocational education, although in my opinion this should not be segregated.

The staff concept can be implemented by assigning specialists to each major division or to subdivisions, not in the line of control but for expert guidance and assistance. This is best illustrated in the division of curriculum and instruction by reference to audio-visual instruction, physical education, music, art and other subject areas. Incidentally, there seems to be a trend toward vertical or integrated supervision embracing all grades, elementary and secondary.

Coordination should be provided for by committees and councils cutting across major divisions. The lines of cooperative effort are so numerous in the complex operations of a city school system that they cannot be shown on one chart.

The study of administrative structure and staffing is a most interesting and worth-while professional project. It is easy to get into a rut and to follow the line of least resistance. The alert and professionally competent administrator guards against this by periodic analysis before conditions get

Expert and objective help can be procured at little or no cost from state education departments, leading universities, and, although at considerably more expense, private consultants. As a rule, modernization will increase the budget, but not much in terms of percentage. Such increases can be justified in terms of work loads, increased efficiency, better educational service.

"We are measured by our results." Recently I read a statement of one man's philosophy which I want to pass on to readers of THE NATION'S SCHOOLS as particularly appropriate for schoolmen. Robert Moses, who has given a lifetime of eminent service to the public, expresses the belief by which he has been guided in these characteristically forthright statements, quoted in Harper's Magazine for December 1956:

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It would be hard to improve on those four sentences for a succinct expression of the school administrator's philosophy. I believe that many good proposals for educational advance are deferred because we are prone to think that "the time is not ripe." The ripe time never comes-NOW is the only

It may be granted that the timing of changes must be taken into account in administration. However, one cannot forever go on preparing the seedbed or waiting for the auspicious conjunction of circumstances. Waiting for the time to be ripe is a passive attitude that does not comport with the active leadership inherent in the very term "administrator."

Questions and Answers

Contract Painting

Do school systems in general have their painting jobs done by contractors, or are they handled largely by their own crews? Last summer our paint schedule bogged down, and

we were forced to hire temporary painters to supplement our own crews. We are wondering if we would not have been smarter to have had such a big job done under con-

Surveys show that most school systems have exterior painting jobs done under contract and use their own paint crews to handle interior work.

If the schedule is heavy for a particular season, as was yours last summer, it is probably better to call in contractors. To supplement your normal painting crew by more than 50 per cent would probably not be economical, especially if you have only a limited amount of equipment.

It may be wise to get bids on all buildings that appear on the annual schedule. Some contractor fairly new in the territory may be eager for a trial job and send in a low bid. Other contractors will bid lower than usual to pick up small fill-in jobs to keep their large organizations busy. This may give your school system a decided advantage, although you will not necessarily accept the lowest bid. You must know your contractors and have some knowledge of the quality of their performance; otherwise bids may be meaningless.

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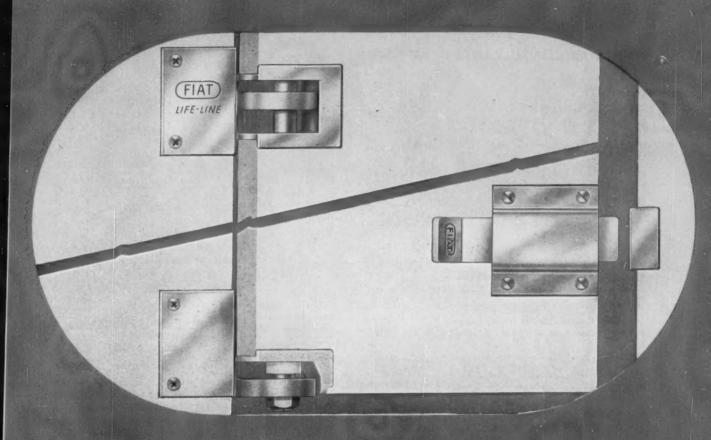
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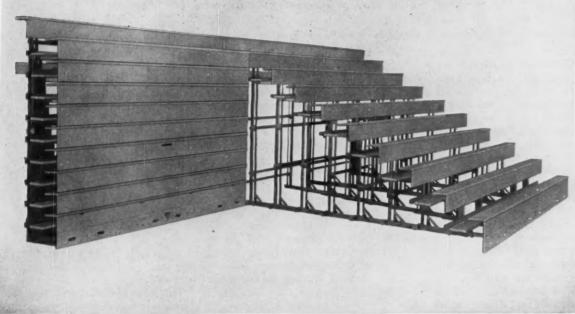
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As I read the article on parentteacher conference in the October issue of The NATION'S SCHOOLS ("A Parent's Report on a Parent Conference," page 86), I was very much interested in the suggestion made in the closing paragraph. I agree with the mother that it would have been very nice if the father might have had a more direct report on the conference.

And I believe that the answer to the suggestion was found on the next page of the periodical. In the Audio-Visual Department section there appeared a group of articles relating to the use of the tape recorder as a teaching device. Why can't this piece of equipment be used to make a recording of the interview for the benefit of the other parent?

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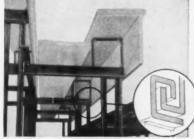
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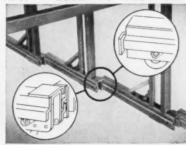
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Volunteers Help in Public Schools • Students Learn About Income

Tax • "How Would Life Be Different If There were No Numbers?"

VOLUNTEERS ARE HELPING teachers and children in New York City's Public School 191. Most are women—retired teachers, parents who like working with teachers in the classroom, laymen with a hobby or interest they enjoy passing on to the children. They work under a full-time paid coordinator, spending at least half a day a week in the school.

The Public Education Association began, in September 1955, with the agreement of the superintendent of schools, a study of volunteer services and what could be done to organize a volunteer program for the benefit of the schools and their pupils.

With financial aid from the New York Fund for Children and the Fund for the Advancement of Education, a pilot project was organized in December 1955. Now plans for expansion are being considered.

It is hoped that the project will help to determine the activities best suited for volunteers, the kind of training they should have, and how they should be recruited and selected.

Here is a typical schedule provided for a volunteer by the classroom teacher:

9 to 10—Take Jose for a walk and talk English to him. (At P. S. 191, 42 per cent of the children are Puerto Ricans with no knowledge of English.)

10 to 11—Clerical work. Prepare supplementary reading material.

11 to 12—Work with a small group of children at a table.

12 to 1—In the lunchroom with the children.

1 to 3—Go on field trip with teacher to Grand Central Terminal.

Volunteers give help to the particular pupil who needs extra attention the teacher has no time to give him, to the youngster whose special gifts can be discovered only if he is given individual consideration. They do clerical work because, as the P.E.A. noted, "every minute not spent teaching is 30 minutes lost to the children—but clerical work must go on."

Also volunteers have helped out at registration and during the anti-polio inoculations; developed libraries and special exhibits; graded achievement tests; conducted after-school activities; made posters; assisted in lunchrooms, and helped with filing, duplicating and recording.

"It is already evident that teachers are delighted to have the help the volunteers provide and that the volunteers find the work rewarding," the P.E.A. reports, "It would appear that the School Volunteer Project can be of inestimable value in improving school-community relations and the education of children in the public schools."

"PRACTICAL" is the word to describe a unit of work now incorporated in the course of study of Frankford High School, Philadelphia. In cooperation with the U.S. Internal Revenue Department, the high school's commercial department has arranged to educate students about practical income tax problems.

The tax unit is divided into three parts. One concerns the tax problems of those with part-time jobs. The other two look to the future: Students learn that the married wage earner with a small income may find it to his advantage to compute his tax from tax tables. They also learn how to deal with more complicated situations in-

volving income from wages, plus interest and dividends. Instruction covers the standard deductions and procedures used in itemizing deductible expenses, with emphasis upon the most advantageous method for the individual.

In class discussions personal tax questions, as well as questions from the students' parents, are considered.

IF CHILDREN can be helped to realize that not everything has been discovered or invented and cataloged, that there is no end to knowledge, then they will find all of life's problems challenging.

This is the kind of attitude Teacher Joanne Reynolds tries to encourage in fourth graders at Arrandale School, Great Neck, N.Y. "How would your life be different if there were no numbers?" she asked the youngsters in an attempt to help them understand the origins of our number system. Some of their answers were:

"I wouldn't know how old I was."
"We couldn't tell who was elected president because we couldn't count the votes."

"I wouldn't know when it was time to come to school."

The youngsters tried to picture themselves as a sheepherder trying to keep track of the sheep without a system of counting. They suggested keeping a pile of sticks, each stick corresponding to one animal, or scratching marks on wood. But either method was time consuming; some kind of symbol was needed, the fourth graders realized

The next step was to invent their own unit of measurement and measure their classroom. They also devised several methods for telling time: a candle that burned down in a bottle, a weight that swung back and forth on the end of a string, and a system of pulleys and uneven weights.

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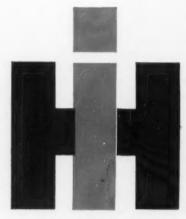
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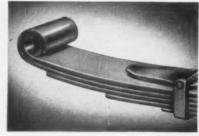
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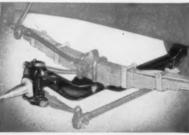
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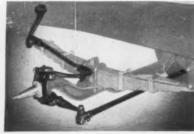
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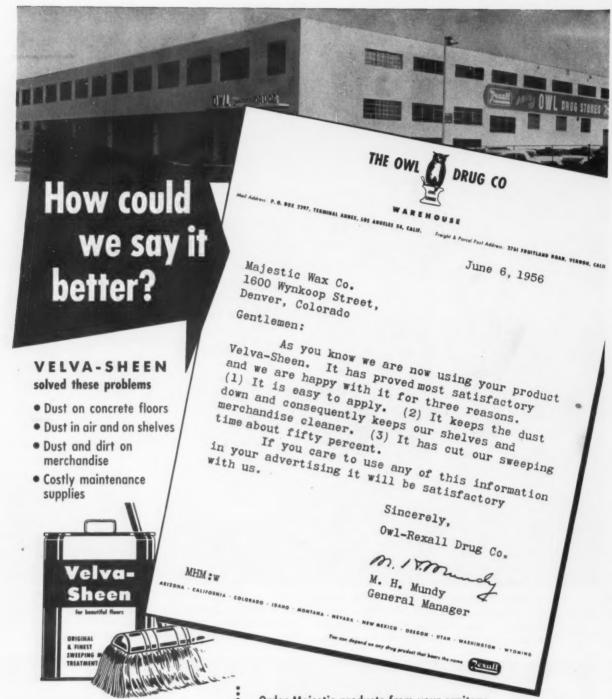
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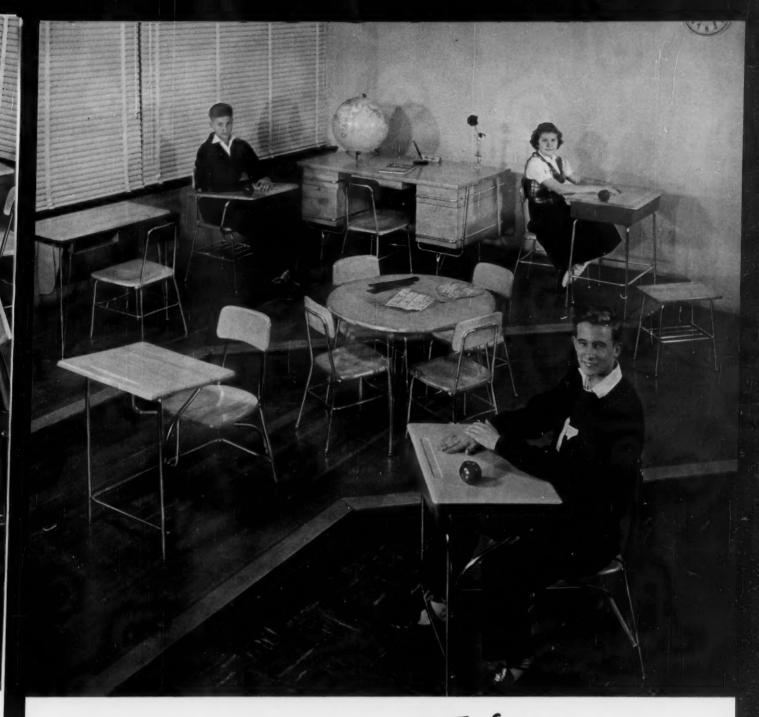


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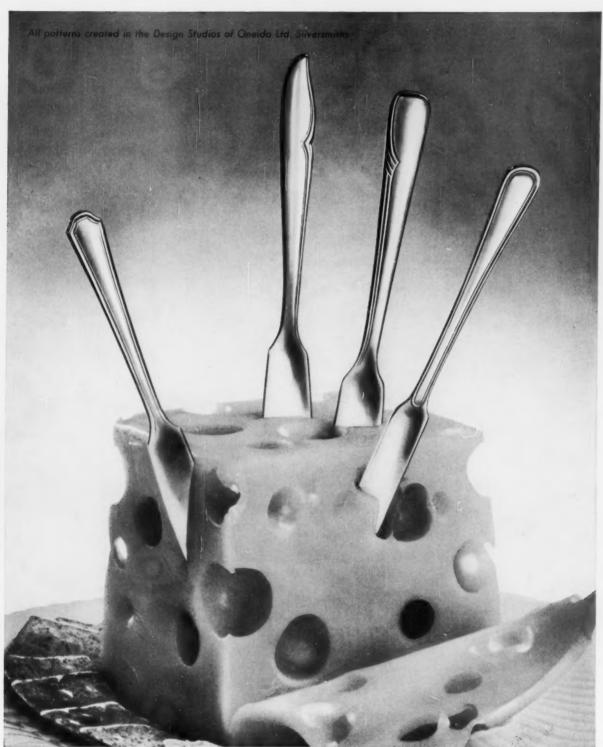
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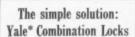
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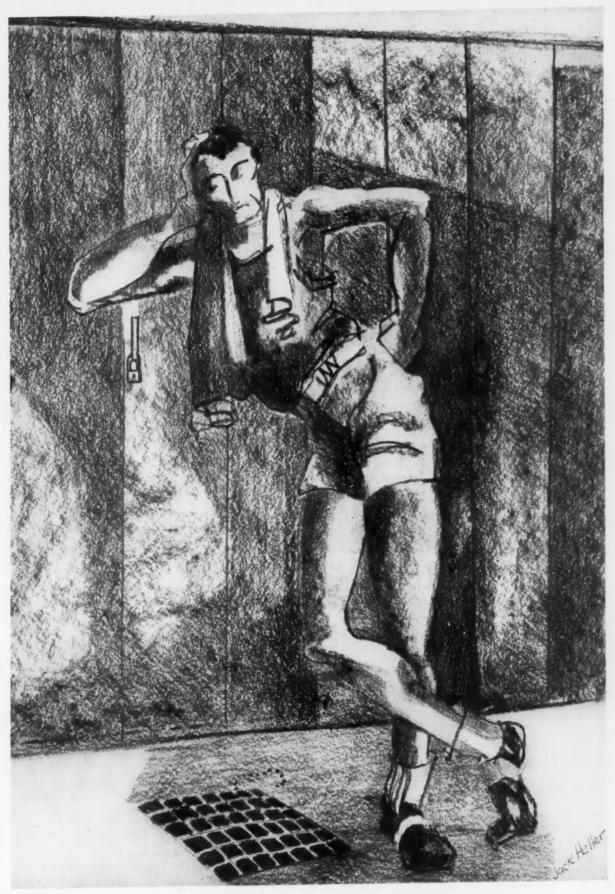
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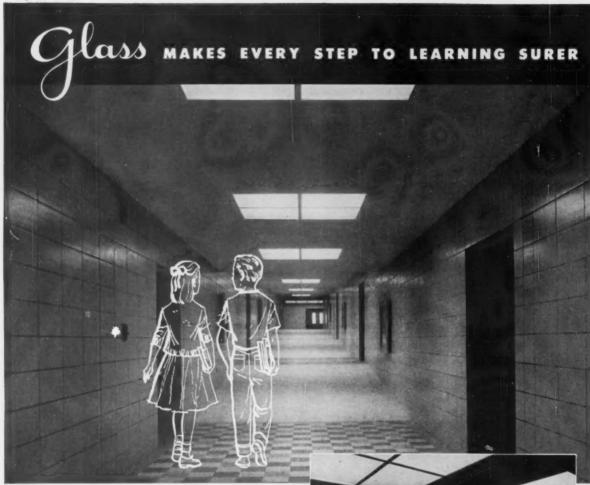
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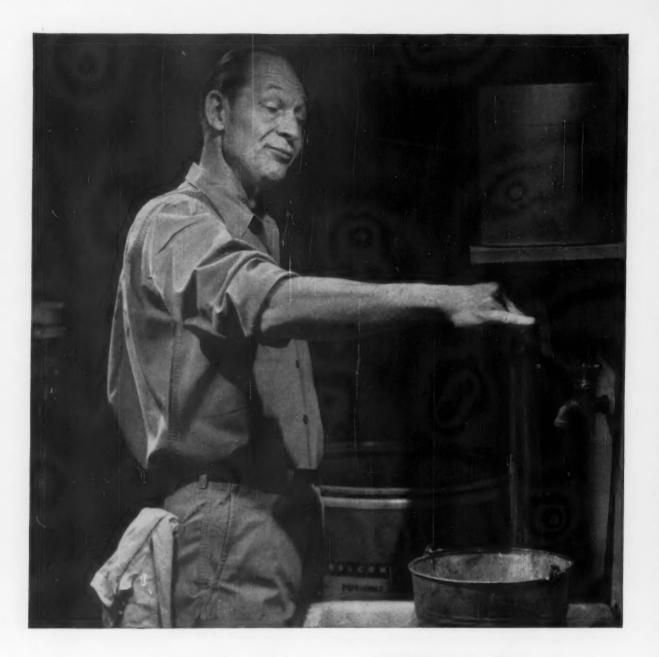


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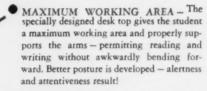
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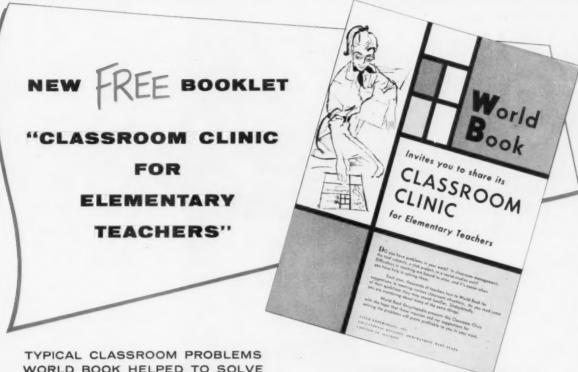
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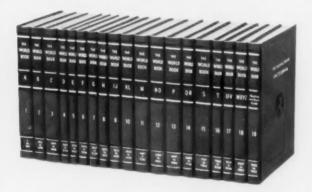
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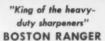
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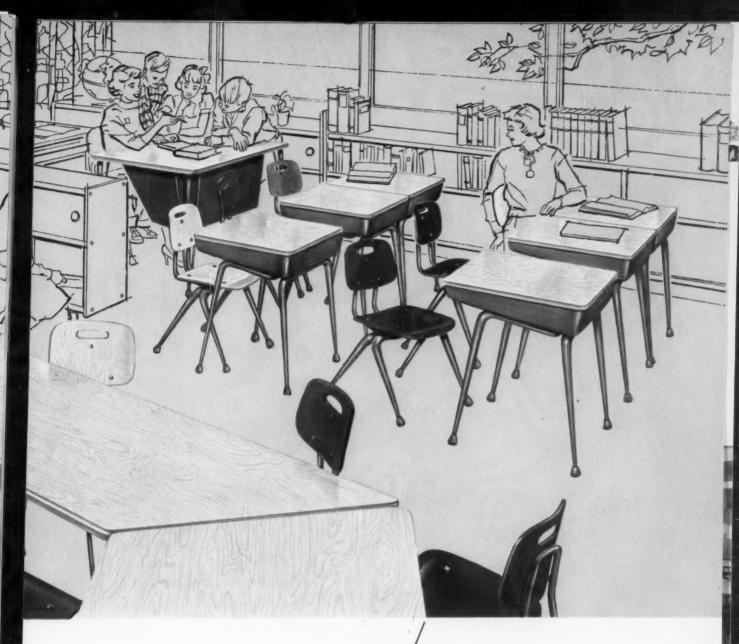












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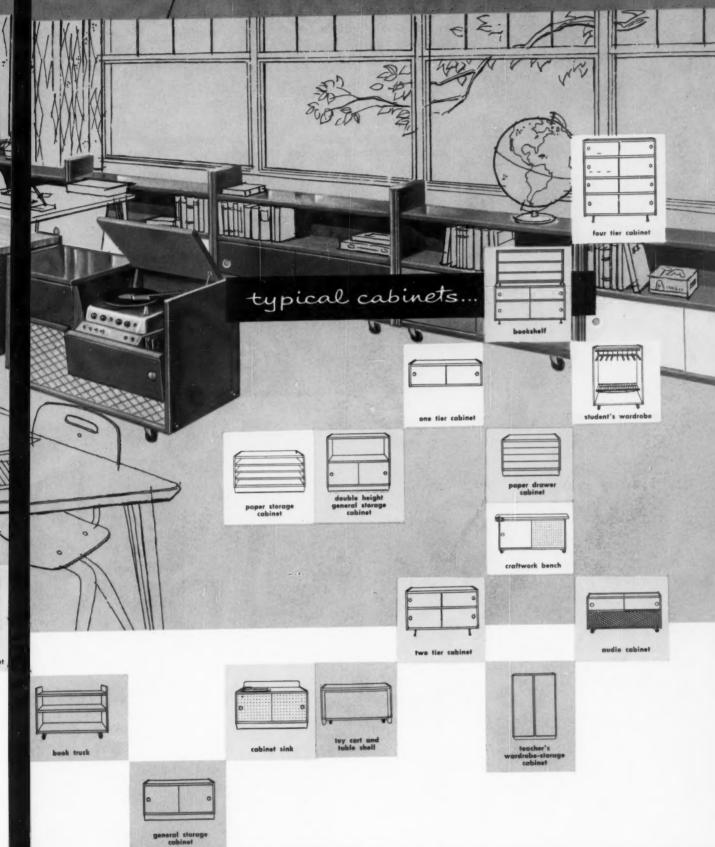
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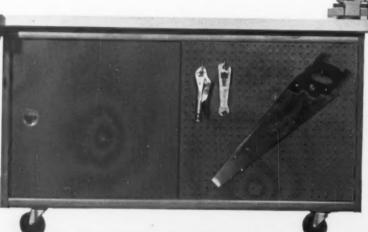
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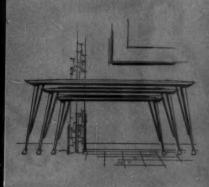




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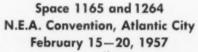
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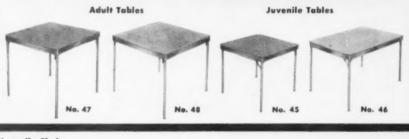




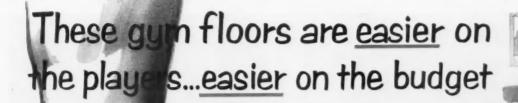












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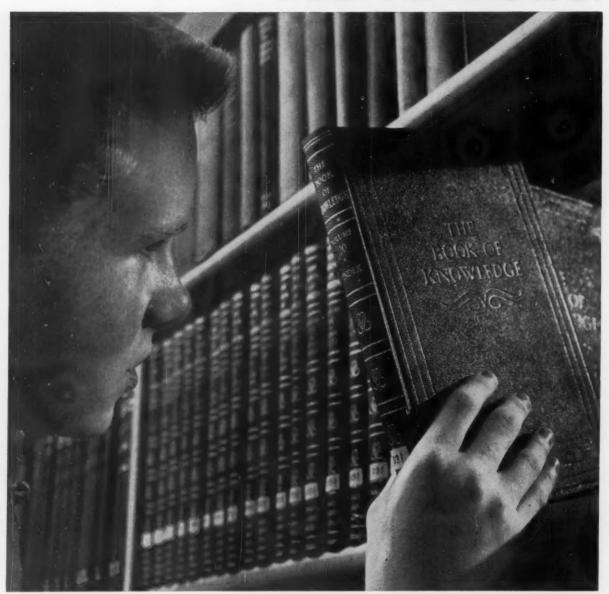
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Looking Forward

So This Is School News!

THERE'S no doubt that schools are very much in the news today, but there is doubt as to whether the press is adequately interpreting public education. A random sampling of what the press is saying about schools (exclusive of athletics) was made by the editor as he traveled to Florida for a holiday vacation.

From a pocketful of clippings gathered en route, the following are offered here as typical examples:

SCHOOLS ANTICIPATING POST-HOLIDAY CROWDING

A story in *The News*, daily newspaper at Sarasota, Fla., dramatized vividly what happens when parents in the North withdraw their children to accompany them on a trip to Florida during the winter months. The article, based upon an interview with Supt. Carl C. Strode, states: "With the reopening of schools, probably the biggest problem facing school officials is the anticipated heavy tourist season enrollments which always reach their peak in January, February and March. Classroom space will be at a premium, and every facility of the schools will be taxed during the peak enrollment period."

When these children return, they require additional help to get readjusted to the hometown program. Some parents who thus interrupt the education of their children will be the first to criticize schools because their Susies and Johnnys are not getting A's.

College Student Describes Essential Qualities of Teaching

Our compliments to Charles Meister, whose by-line appears on a feature in the *Jacksonville Journal*. Mr. Meister wrote a series of interviews with college students home for the holidays. In the article written the day after Christmas he talked with students who are preparing to be teachers.

His interview with Leigh Culley, who is attending Florida State University, presented a philosophy of education that seldom reaches readers of a newspaper. He quoted Miss Culley as follows:

"Unfortunately, when the words 'teacher' and 'teaching' are used, we tend to think that it is what the teacher does that is most important, whereas it is the learning that goes on, hence what the learner does. The function of teaching is to arrange for learning to occur."

"CONSIDERED MOST MODERN, YET SCHOOL ALREADY NEARLY FULL"

This heading on a news story from Naples, Fla., merely verifies the well known fact that new schools are filling up faster than they can be built. What surprised us, however, was the statement of the reporter that "none of the teachers seems to like the idea of having desks and tables loose instead of bolted to the floor."

We're dubious that the reporter really expressed the opinion of all the teachers in this new school in Naples. It is difficult to believe that a "most modern school" would be entirely staffed by regimenting teachers.

Sounds Fishy, and It Really Is

Some of the school patrons in Bonita Springs, Fla., apparently haven't read those textbooks which state that "the public school is a partnership between the home and the state." A news story from this community near Fort Myers, Fla., states:

"There have been two incidents involving the school's principal, Holland Strothers. A cross was burned in his yard, and on another occasion a group of people dumped two large buckets of dead fish and shrimp on his yard. The principal took five shots at the fleeing car with a pistol."

Does this mean that we should now add to courses for school administrators a class in marksmanship?

"AND NEXT YEAR, THERE WILL BE A TREND TO . . ."

This heading for an editorial in the Florida Times-Union of Jacksonville suggests that the writer had been somewhat amused by the multitude of articles in January publications predicting things to come.

He wrote: "There will be educated guesses by educated people, trending into purely reasoned predictions, based heavily upon hope, and from there to mere mystic mumbo-jumbo. . . . The reason why the mistaken forecasting of experts brings such malicious joy to the average man is because the experts have begun to take themselves seriously. Many of Mr. Average Man's reasoned forecasts have gone astray, because he left out, or didn't have access to, essential

facts. It's heart warming to see that similar essential facts can elude even the mighty."

We suspect that this Jacksonville editorial writer had been trying to read some textbooks on school administration and thus discovered the secret of how to write a book that can be sold for several years without its becoming outdated.

The secret, as he describes it, is this: "The ancient oracles . . . were careful to leave their deity-prompted babblings open to many interpretations. No matter what happened, they could say 'I told you so. . . .' Some of their modern and supposedly scientific brethren seem to have caught the idea."

HIGH SCHOOL BAND DIRECTOR BEATEN BY PROSEGREGATIONISTS

Throughout the South, there were many newspaper stories pertaining to violent activities of prosegregationists. It should be remembered that newspapers tend to play up violence, overlooking quiet, constructive activities that are not defined as news.

Disturbing to some citizens in the South as well as to northern visitors was the treatment given Guy Hutchins, 52, high school band director at Camden, S.C. According to newspaper reports, Mr. Hutchins was tied to a tree and beaten and also told that his house would be burned if the family did not leave town. (Police protection was set up for Mr. Hutchins at the hospital and for his home.)

States the news article: "Hutchins said the men accused him of making prointegration remarks in a talk to a Lions Club auxiliary. Hutchins said he made no prointegration remarks anywhere. Lions officials said there has been no auxiliary for several years."

Considers Private School an "Unpleasant Thought"

"It's not a pleasant thought," writes the associate editor of the Evansville Press, Evansville, Ind., "but a system of private preparatory schools is the only alternative" if the public high school doesn't prepare students for college. This statement concludes a series of six articles by Ed Klingler in which he reroasts old chestnuts about the alleged failure of schools to produce "scientists and engineers fast enough to meet today's needs."

Is it only a coincidence that others who argue for loading the high school curriculum with traditional academic subjects (Arthur Bestor, et al.) also end with the conclusion that the private school is probably the solution?

Mr. Klingler, why do you refer to the private school as an "unpleasant thought"? The private school has a very important place in our democratic society. If the curriculum of the public schools is, in your judgment, too broad in its attempts to serve all the children of all the people and not merely those who go to college, it's the privilege and function of the private school to offer highly specialized or experimental instruction.

A "GIRLIE" CALENDAR FOR SUGARTOWN'S SUPERINTENDENT

A number of Florida newspapers featured a "girlie" calendar for 1957 that the school superintendent can safely display in his office if he chooses to do so. The models for the calendar were not the overglamourized *Esquire* or Varga girls but lovely coeds of high schools and universities within the area served by the newspaper. We're sending a copy of the calendar to the superintendent of Sugartown.

Santa Swelters Under Palm Trees

AS WE drove through the semi-tropical areas of Florida during the holiday season, we were greeted again and again with life-size statues of Santa Claus poised under palm trees or against a background of flowers. It seemed rather ridiculous to see a full-grown adult as wise as Santa Claus wearing that heavy red suit trimmed in fur as he absorbed Florida sunshine. If young children believe that Santa visits Florida in that North Pole garb, they sooner or later will come to the conclusion that Mr. Claus is rather wacky.

We're surprised that some publicity seeking chamber of commerce or a prominent manufacturer of bathing suits hasn't fashioned for Santa Claus more suitable attire for his holiday visits to the sunny South.

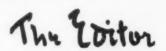
Western Leadership Recognized

TT IS indeed appropriate that Western competence in school administration is recognized in the selection of C. C. Trillingham as president-elect of the American Association of School Administrators. "Trilly" also represents the Midwest. He is a Hoosier by birth, a product of public schools in Oklahoma and Kansas, and a former teacher, principal and superintendent for nine years in Kansas.

As superintendent of Los Angeles County, Dr. Trillingham administers a tremendously large and important unit of California's school system. We had the privilege of visiting his office a short time ago, and we observed with great admiration the educational leadership and the many auxiliary services that his office provides for schools outside the Los Angeles city school district. At the same time we learned that the county superintendent's office is virtually a branch of the state department of education for many accounting services.

The new president-elect enjoys a well deserved popularity not only among his fellow educators in California but throughout the nation. If you've wondered about the initials, the first "C" stands for Clinton (also the name of his birthplace in Indiana) and the second "C" for Conroy.

Congratulations, Clinton Conroy!



INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP COMES FIRST

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THE rôle of the school administrator in the instructional program is one of educational leadership. But what is meant by educational leadership? Is educational leadership? Is educational leadership synonymous with effective administration, or are the two different and separate characteristics?

For my purpose here the thesis is taken that effective administration and effective educational leadership are different entities, although they are related. A school system, to serve the maximum purpose for which it is intended, must be well administered but it must also contain the elements of educational leadership.

It is assumed that the so-called successful school administrator gives effective educational leadership to the school system which he serves. In recent years, however, there appears to be an increasing awareness of the importance of a direct contribution on the part of the school administrator to the improvement of the instructional program. This would seem to apply to all administrators—principals, staff administrators, and the superintendent.

It may be argued that this awareness has always been present and that administrators have always made a direct contribution to the instructional program. However, there is logic in the observation that, as the modern-day school system becomes more complex and the total array of responsibilities which an administrator must handle becomes larger, the tendency is to delegate responsibility for the direction and supervision of the instructional program. In principle this is correct, of course, for it is impossible for an administrator to meet his responsibilities in a large school system through any procedure other than intelligent delegation of duties. Conversely, however, it is wrong in principle to delegate responsibilities so completely that the administrator loses contact with that which he has delegated.

Through the process of delegation it is easy for a superintendent of schools, or a school principal for that matter, to lose contact and thereby to lose interest in instruction and instructional procedures. If one accepts this premise as one of the realistic outcomes of administering a modern-day school system, he must inevitably be awakened to the danger that lies in this separation of administrative leadership from a certain amount of direct participation in those activities which make definite contributions to the improvement and the enrichment of the learning atmosphere in our schools.

What are the contributions that should be expected from the administrator? It will be maintained by some that educational leadership and the ability to administer a school system are synonymous. However, a contrary point of view on this matter would appear to be justified. There are examples of well run or well operated schools or school systems which appear to lack a desired quality of educational leadership. It is true that some school systems, even though educational leadership may be lacking, prove to be educationally productive simply because the natural force of a core of dedicated teachers will produce effective educational results despite the quality of leadership present.

On the other hand, it seems apparent that, if a school system has the benefit of an effective administration that possesses also a high degree of educational leadership, the results will be greatly improved. If the premise is accepted that educational leadership and effective administrative practice are separate characteristics, both of

which are not always found in a school administrator, it must follow logically that the nature of educational leadership can and should be identified.

What is the basic characteristic of educational leadership? It may be suggested that an educational leader primarily must have an abiding interest in education and not just an interest in administering an educational program. He must have a specific interest in seeing boys and girls learn and in studying the activities through which they learn and an understanding of the most effective procedures used in conducting effective learning activities. He must be sensitive to teacher needs and teacher problems. He must exhibit a concern for the true elements of teacher morale, for a school system will not rise beyond the general level of the enthusiasm exhibited by the teachers

How can the administrator influence the instructional program? One of the practical problems faced by a school administrator, and this applies particularly to a superintendent of schools, is to devise some method of communicating his own thinking to the teaching staff and in turn to receive the thinking of the teachers. A superintendent's opportunity for direct contact with a large number of teachers is more or less nonexistent. It is possible that the future, through the medium of radio and television, holds some opportunities not thus far used to any appreciable extent, but at the present time in most large school systems the superintendent must contact his teachers either in general convocations or through the building principal.

One or two general meetings per year of teachers in systems that have not grown so large as to make this impossible are perhaps worth while. Such meetings do give teachers an

opportunity to see and hear directly from the superintendent of schools. By the same token, the superintendent undoubtedly gains inspiration and a certain amount of insight from this kind of meeting. This can do nothing more, however, than serve as a general type of communication. The more specific contacts must be made in an indirect manner, and the most effective way of doing this is through the building principal.

Superintendents of schools should seriously weigh the possible effects before they delegate the responsibility of principals meetings to staff administrators, for when this is done the superintendent loses his last and most effective opportunity to communicate with the people most directly associated with teachers and the instructional program. It is not imperative that a superintendent serve as chairman of his principals meetings, but he should attend all of them, and he should be an active participant in the discussions that take place there.

The superintendent should make certain that the major portion of time given to principals meetings is devoted to constructive discussion of educational problems. In this way he can influence the nature of the discussions, and he can exhibit to the building administrators his philosophy of education and his interest in various phases of the teaching program. By so doing, he can add status to the instructional program.

This contact between superintendent and principals offers the best opportunity available for the improvement of educational leadership on the part of building administrators. It would be difficult to overestimate the importance of this, for it is believed that the rôle of a building principal in the instructional program is paramount. Again, it may be stated that a school which is staffed with superior teachers may produce an excellent instructional program despite the principal, but it follows logically that the effectiveness of a given school cannot rise much beyond the level of educational leadership given by the building principal.

By direct contact with the building principals, the superintendent has opportunity to create an educational tone and to set the pattern for the type of meetings that principals will in turn conduct with their respective teacher groups. Through this rather direct line of communication, teachers will soon become aware of the importance placed on instruction and they will come to know of the superintendent's educational philosophy and the degree of interest he actually has in producing and maintaining an effective learning situation in the schools.

What do teachers expect of an administrator? Too many school administrators are so far removed from the teachers that they are almost certain to receive a certain amount of routine criticism. This applies particularly to the superintendent. This criticism is partially the result of basic human nature but perhaps is due more to a lack of proper communication. Many things that a superintendent does, or is purported to have done, in the administration of a school system are not understood or are misunderstood. This, of course, results in some criticism. Perhaps this can never be entirely alleviated, but it should be reduced as much as possible.

Aside from this routine sort of criticism, there would appear to be two rather basic comments that teachers make about school superintendents and sometimes about school principals which may have some validity. Many of the teachers do not believe that school superintendents have an interest in everyday teaching problems, and in a good many instances they doubt that the school superintendent understands classroom procedures.

In overcoming these difficulties the school administrator must ask himself some serious questions with reference to these teacher points of view: Am I really interested in instruction? If I am not, why? Did I once have an interest in instruction, and have I lost it? If so, why? Do I really understand the basic concepts involved in the latest teaching methods? Have I failed to keep abreast of current educational thinking?

It is easy for a busy administrator, even the building principal, to allow other seemingly more urgent responsibilities to crowd his daily schedule to such an extent that he never gives attention to a study of the latest thinking as it relates to teachers and teaching problems. How then can the superintendent and other administrators find a solution to this problem?

Evaluate the daily schedule. It is not easy for the administrator to overcome this problem, but, when he becomes its victim, it can be remedied only by the same method one uses to find time to see his doctor or dentist. The administrator must realistically evaluate his daily schedule, and somehow he must find time each day for a certain amount of activity which is related directly to the improvement of the instructional program and to self-improvement in the area of educational leadership.

Many school superintendents—and again this would apply in many instances to building principals and staff administrators—would profit by a careful evaluation of their daily programs. In making this evaluation, they might ask: "Am I delegating a sufficient number of functions, and am I delegating the proper functions?"

On his schedule the administrator must list principals meetings and certain staff and teacher group meetings which will be devoted to instruction, and he must hold these appointments to be as necessary as he would a meeting of the board of education.

Allow a certain amount of time for professional reading. This may be only a few minutes per day, but a few minutes each day amounts to considerable time during a school year. Professional reading can be easily crowded completely out of the schedule unless positive action is taken to see that it remains on the daily program. Frankly, it gets down to the serious business of self-discipline.

History reveals that successful leaders in all fields of endeavor have exercised considerable discipline with reference to work habits and that they have exhibited care in selecting the items to which their energies were devoted. They have been people who put first things first and applied themselves wholeheartedly to the items of larger importance. The successful school administrator who emerges as an effective educational leader will undoubtedly find his answer in this same pattern of work and thinking.

It may be concluded confidently that the people who support public and private education are interested primarily in the effectiveness of the educational program, for it is the children of these citizens who are the recipients of this program. It is logical and correct for them to look to their school administrators to provide the leadership necessary to ensure an effective program. We may rest assured that they will make and enforce that demand on us.



At the Jane A. Neil School, Chicago, the handicapped and the nonhandicapped children work together in the student council.

Special Needs Dictate Design of School for Physically Handicapped

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J UST about everyone qualified to venture an opinion on the subject was consulted during the planning of the Jane A. Neil School for Physically Handicapped Children, which opened in Chicago last September.

Four years of concentrated study preceded actual construction. It embraced an investigation of plans of many other cities, the previous experiences of the architect in building and remodeling special schools of this type, and the knowledge of teachers and therapists who understood the needs of youngsters with orthopedic, cardiac and other physical impairments. Two committees of physicians went over the plans in detailed conferences.

Both handicapped and nonhandi-

capped children are provided for under one roof at the 275 pupil Neil School. Classes are separate, but joint use is made of the auditorium, library, gymnasium, lunchroom and other larger facilities. The dual arrangement is in keeping with the views of administrators that grouping benefits both types of pupils.

Under this plan, nonhandicapped children learn responsibility as they take charge of wheel chairs at fire drill. They are stimulated to greater effort when they see what is accomplished scholastically by pupils who repeatedly have had operations with resulting loss of school time. They are cheered in the face of their own troubles by the contagious friendliness and cheer-

fulness of the lad in huge and clumsy braces or by the gaiety of the girl playing modified basketball from her wheel

The handicapped, too, gain psychologically and socially from daily contact with healthy youngsters who have learned to treat them as equals, respecting them for the things they can do without thinking about the things they cannot do. Both types of pupils gain from the richer library and other shared facilities that can be provided economically in an integrated facility.

Nonhandicapped pupils occupy the west wing of Neil School, the handicapped the remainder of the building. Should the success of the Salk vaccine

and other immunization measures reduce the number of children with physical impairments, the flexible space arrangement will permit conversion of classrooms to regular school purposes. On the other hand, should the facilities become inadequate, the present U-shaped building can be enlarged into a complete square around a closed court, the building plans having anticipated further site development.

To understand the type of building required to serve physically handicapped children, one must have some

idea of their problems.

Of Chicago's special pupils in elementary schools, 35 per cent are handicapped because of cerebral palsy, 20 per cent because of poliomyelitis, and 10 per cent because of severe cardiac conditions. The other 35 per cent are handicapped because of a wide variety

Above: A ramp gives access to the stage. Four years of study preceding building of the school resulted in the ramp and other features that make school life pleasant and activity possible for the physically handicapped.

Right: The bus loading platform is covered for protection from snow, ice and rain. It is large enough so that one-third of the buses can unload simultaneously.

of causes. Many children falling medically into one or the other of these classifications attend their regular neighborhood schools. Some are homebound.

What facilities and services, then, would it be impracticable or impossible to furnish in the home school? The answers to this question became the starting point for the architectural planning of Jane A. Neil School.

GETTING TO SCHOOL

Access. Some handicapped children need bus transportation to and from school. This group includes children in wheel chairs and some on crutches. It includes a few children with severe heart conditions who should not walk any distance or struggle with rush hour public transportation. It includes the children who need much protection; hemophiliacs who bleed at the slightest accident and those with brittle bones that break easily. It includes children who might get to school without help on a good day but could not do so when streets are icy.

Architecturally, this means a bus loading platform-covered to protect it from snow, ice and rain and large enough so that at least one-third of the buses can unload simultaneously. With less space, some pupils would have to come to school early, while others would be late for class, as unloading the crippled is a slow operation. It means an anteroom-with space to line up wheel chairs or walkers and with doors closing the area off from the outdoor platform and main school corridor, so that the entire building will not be chilled. It means toilet and rest facilities for the bus drivers. It means outside ramps for children brought to school by private car or taxi and for handicapped adults who participate in the school's community program.

Freedom of Movement. To enable

handicapped children to make use of varied facilities, either one-story construction or ramps and elevators are needed. Neil School is on one floor. Wide corridors, smooth floors, wide doorways, wide spaces between seats, wide spaces at the front and rear of classrooms and before the chalkboards, absence of thresholds and door sills, plenty of space in toilet rooms—all these facilitate the handicapped child's movement. Rest stations in the corridors provide recessed benches on which a child can rest if the block-long corridor proves too arduous.

Auditorium. To permit handicapped children to participate in auditorium activities, the stage must be designed with two ramps at not too steep a pitch, so that pupils may move on or off the stage from either side. In Neil School, one ramp from the corridor leads across the back of the stage to provide a stage entrance on the far side. On the corridor side a ramp leads from the rear of the stage down into the audience area. The height of the stage must be watched, lest the ramps become too steep. Because of the low stage, the space beneath cannot be used for seat storage, so closet storage space is provided.

CLASSROOMS CAREFULLY PLANNED

Classroom Space. In Neil School, classrooms were planned for from 15 to 20 pupils. The rooms are 26 by 38 feet. Authorities agree that three times the usual floor space should be allocated to the physically handicapped pupil. This will enable children in wheel chairs to move easily from one work center in the room to another, and will prevent those with uncontrolled movements from interfering with their neighbors. Extra wide desk tables permit the handicapped child to have more of his work materials within reach and lessen the danger of





the spastic child's pushing his books and supplies to the floor in the surplus motions that often accompany his attempts to function.

Self-Help. At Neil School railings are provided in corridors, at the chalk tray and vertically at the side of the chalkboards, and at toilet stalls to enable as many pupils as possible to care for themselves.

Toilet stalls are large and have automatically operated doors to increase the number who can help themselves. Toilet rooms are large enough to give the pupil maneuverability. They are located close to classrooms, and for the youngest pupils are directly accessible.

Wardrobe and cupboard doors in the classroom slide sideways rather than swing outward. The child on crutches or in a wheel chair, or unstable in his balance, may have much difficulty with a swinging door; but he is able to put away his own coat or find the classroom supplies he needs if a door can be pushed to slide sideways at a light touch.

Attendants. Even with the building facilities indicated, some pupils cannot care for their own needs. Attendants must be made available to push wheel chairs, dress and undress children, take them to toilets, and feed them. Use of attendants decreases the number of children condemned to an isolated life at home. An attendant service means that children with severe handicaps resulting from cerebral palsy or paralysis, children learning to use an artificial arm or leg, and children

Above: Physical education teachers, trained and experienced in work with the handicapped, have adapted many exercises and sports to the Neil School youngsters. Ball games are made exciting fun for teams in wheel chairs and on crutches. Below: The school has a speech clinic and a full-time therapist who with the aid of a mirror here demonstrates various lip formations which will help correct child's speech difficulties.



born without arms can come to school. Yet attendants require dressing rooms and the presence of more severely handicapped children necessitates space for dressing tables in the toilet rooms and more space per pupil in the lunchroom.

Protection. Physicians who would be afraid to allow certain children bleeders, those with brittle bones, the epileptic—to attend a school not equipped with special facilities approve attendance where special precautions are taken. Because attendants and physical therapists are available to give aid in emergency, because enrollment is low while the corridors are wide, because class size is small while the rooms are large, because restrooms are provided, school attendance becomes relatively safe for these youngsters.

Architecturally, the special protective provisions suggest: walls spread-

ing obliquely from room entrances; classroom areas increased to allow for parking wheel chairs and other equipment where they will not be a hazard to the movement of fellow pupils; adequate restrooms with cots; adequate first-aid equipment; a wide variety of special furniture, and equipment adapted to unique problems.

THERAPY AND PLAY

Physical Therapy. Many youngsters need extensive physical therapy. This group includes particularly post-polio cases, amputees learning to use prostheses, the cerebral palsied whose first steps are such a triumph. Chicago provides this service through registered physical therapists working in the school, under the orders of the family physician. The therapists interpret the child's physical needs to classroom teachers on a close and personal basis. They may help the teacher decide how much pressure to put on a particular child for academic achievement, suggest his need for particular experiences in the arts, crafts, shop or gymnasium programs to strengthen particular muscles, and devise technics by which the child can surmount his handicap in classroom activities.

Chicago provides one physical therapist for each 50 physically handicapped children, along with physical therapy facilities. Neil School has two treatment rooms equipped for many varieties of exercise. There are treatment booths, a whirlpool bath and Hubbard tank, and a small swimming pool with hoist lift on an overhead trolley, so that a helpless child can be dressed on a table at the pool side, then lifted and placed in the water at the appropriate depth. The pool is adequate also

for recreational swimming and splashing by a group of not more than six small children.

Adapted Physical Education. Ingenious teachers of physical education, with training and experience in work with the handicapped, give full consideration to each child's limitations and potentialities. They adapt a surprising variety of exercises and sports to these youngsters. Ball games are made exciting fun for teams in wheel chairs and on crutches. The crutches fly, artificial legs thump, and braces squeak when the square dancers get enthusiastic. Field day brings out a weird assortment of special races and field events, but muscles are hardening while life takes on more fun for these handicapped children.

Architecturally, this service means that a good sized gymnasium is needed. In Neil School a combination gymnasium and auditorium sees much use. In addition, the 20 by 56 foot receiving room provides space for recreational therapy when buses are not loading and unloading.

Outdoor Play. In a regular school, because of stairs, distance or a rough playground, the handicapped child remains behind at recess while the class goes outdoors. In Neil School the lower grades have direct access to an asphalt surfaced outdoor play space, which is 6 inches below floor level. These play areas, fenced and hedged for privacy, become outdoor extensions of all classrooms with south and east exposures. For the older pupils there is an extensive playground area covered with black top, also 6 inches below floor level.

Personal and Social Guidance. In any group of physically handicapped

pupils there is a higher percentage of youngsters with emotional difficulties, and more parents wanting advice on discipline and management, than in a comparable group of nonhandicapped children. Many community agencies are working with these children and their parents, and their representatives want information and cooperation from the school. The state rehabilitation services, for example, begin to plan with the older youngsters their futures even before they become formally eligible for rehabilitation.

All these considerations dictate even for the small school a suite of offices for psychologists and guidance workers. Three such clinic rooms are provided in Neil School, each with running water, cupboard space, and electric outlets. Each is large enough to be used for individual conferences or for small group meetings.

Speech Therapy. A physically handicapped group will include a large number of children with severe speech difficulties. Some pupils have organic defects of the speech mechanism or neurological impairment of the speech function. The protected life the child may have led at home sometimes results in immature speech, poor speech habits, or faulty voice habits. A speech clinic and a full-time speech therapist are necessities. The clinic should have a mirror and running water and should be large enough for therapists to work with small groups of children and for joint interviews with parents and professional workers.

Psychological Services. Psychological services in diagnosis, counseling and therapy are more necessary in the special school. Architecturally, this calls for another attractive clinic room, soundproofed and with running water and adequate waiting space.

STRICT ECONOMY ATTAINED

Costs. Though many special features were incorporated in the Jane A. Neil School for Physically Handicapped Children, strict economy was attained in the architectural planning. Contracts totaled \$740,921-951/2 cents per cubic foot, or \$16.61 per square foot. These figures are below the cost of recently constructed Chicago school buildings for the nonhandicapped. The per pupil cost of \$2470, is higher than the average because of the controlled smaller enrollment. Yet this figure is modest when the many advantages being provided for the youngsters are considered.

Specialists consider the needs of each new pupil who enrolls in the Neil School.



School Lunch Provides Many Teaching Opportunities

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FEEDING people in order that they might be in school attendance is an old problem-actually centuries old. Relating this school feeding to the instructional program is also an old problem but one that has been recognized for less than a century. Educators dealing with nursery schools and problems of home and family living recognized this problem decades ago and brought about some solutions within a limited area of endeavor. It was the initiation of the National School Lunch Program that really brought the matter before us as a large problem in school administration.

When the governor of Michigan received the federal proposal the first time, I happened to be the person who made the study of the situation. I made three recommendations:

1. That the department of public instruction accept the responsibility for administering the school lunch program of the public schools.

2. That there should be no federal interference in the operation of the program.

3. That the program should be conceived and administered as a teaching-learning procedure primarily and as a problem in food service secondarily.

The first of these recommendations was accepted; the second has not been accepted; the third has been neither accepted nor rejected. In fact it seems that the implementation of this last recommendation is just now under serious consideration. By its very nature this recommendation is one that can only be worked out gradually with the many, many individuals and agencies concerned. The important consideration is launching a drive to make the school lunch program primarily a teaching-learning procedure.

Scope and Importance, In 1954, as chairman of a committee for the American School Health Association, I had the privilege of helping to direct a national survey of the school lunch situation. This survey uncovered many aspects of the program, sanitary and otherwise, and laid a basis for (1) correlation studies growing out of the use of the survey instrument, (2) correlative studies of special areas disclosed by survey results, and (3) comparative studies growing out of work of other research groups. It highlighted the fact "that the school lunch operation is a huge, cooperative undertaking with serious and important health and

educational implications for the lay persons and the professions concerned."1

The educational implications of an activity that in 1955-56 served, in round numbers, 1.8 billion lunches to 10.6 million children in 56,000 participating schools exclusive of the "special milk program" are apparent. In terms of ratios this means that three out of 10 children in the 5 to 17 age group participate in the school lunch program as nationally defined.

In Michigan alone 37 million lunches and 76 million milk servings were delivered through the official program. With reference for the future we note that 70 per cent of the blueprints for school buildings being approved in Michigan include kitchen facilities.

With these facts in mind one wonders how any citizen, school board member, administrator or teacher can ignore the educational problem that is involved in the school lunch program.

From an address prepared for the American School Food Service Association convention in Chicago, Oct. 25, 1956.

Committee on School Lunch Program of American School Health Association: American School Health Association Surveys School Lunch Operations, Journal of School Health, 25:35 (February) 1955.

These charts showing food values were planned to accompany a school lunch activity related to the village-farm unit that is depicted in the murals.



Sensitivity to the problem of learning. Two school visits shine out in memory as I look back upon the period before the advent of the national program.

Visiting a reorganized school district in a rural area, I asked to eat lunch with the children in a one-room school building. There I partook of a simple warm meal that had been delivered by the school bus driver. The children had long before this created an atmosphere and tradition for the school lunch. Movable desks were pushed together into square blocks, napkins were distributed, and all of the amenities of a good simple meal were observed. The lunch period was brief but relatively unhurried even though the children were eager to get to their game of "one old cat." The teacher had little to do with the activity which she had created but seemed alert to the learning and the mental hygiene possibilities in the situation. All of these good things were taken for granted as they should have been.

Another visit was to a ninth grade core class in a city school. At noon I was served a lunch which the children had prepared after studying nutrition and meal serving. My hostesses at a small table for four were very conscious of the problem of good manners and of the problem of carrying on an interesting conversation involving everyone present. The lunch was appropriate in every respect, although simple. The participants knew what they were getting out of the situation, including the relations of the activity to the science of nutrition, to social education, and to oral English, all of which matters were of concern to this core class.

Here are two simple illustrations that may indicate the educational values involved.

Textbooks only touch the problem. A quick survey of a number of leading school textbooks in health education yields a few references to the school lunch, but virtually nothing about the utilization of the lunch as a learning laboratory. Possibly it is too soon to expect the textbooks to deal adequately with this problem.

One of the needs is to interest administrators in the instructional aspects of the school lunch. A survey of leading professional magazines for administrators brings up quite a few articles. Several of these grew out of the national school lunch survey previously

discussed, but more grew out of the leadership of the editorial staffs.

It should not, however, be concluded that, because there are teachers, specialists and administrators here and there who sense the problem, a study of normative practice would reveal an acceptable set of principles and practices. In fact, many instructional people feel that good teaching-learning procedures are seldom associated with the school lunch activity. This situation presents a challenge.

Rôles of health specialists are not clear. There is no evidence that the instructional rôles of the school nurse and other health service specialists have been clarified. Mildred Coyle in an article entitled "School Nurse's Rôle in Lunch Program" has given a fine set of recommendations covering the rôle of one health specialist.

Curriculum plans seldom cover the problem. Few schools have careful plans covering incidental and subject matter teaching of health which capitalize on the school lunch situation. This is not to say that there are not many plans covering health instruction and nutrition education. The void is in plans that actually capitalize upon the opportunities inherent in the school lunch situation.

A review of the reports of state directors of school lunch programs indicates that the leadership in about 60 per cent of the states lists curriculum implications of the school lunch program as a major problem. One suspects that if queried more than 60 per cent of the state directors would give this problem a high priority. The terminology in the state reports is interesting and implies some rather keen insights, e.g. "acceptance of school lunch as a part of the over-all program of the school," "of the total program of education," "source of class activities," "lunchroom as another classroom," "total plan for the school day." Apparently there are a sensitivity and a feeling of need among those responsible for the administration of school lunch programs.

Major Aspects. The problem itself is divisible into two parts—curriculum development and administrative leadership. The first of these starts with conceptualization of the sorts of programs that would be rich in learning

results. This would imply recognition of the fact that the individual's problem of learning is that of perceiving and controlling his environment. The concept must be fairly complete and penetrating. The controlling must be cooperative, pragmatic and satisfying. Too often the activity is treated as simple feeding. It seems better to think of feeding as an activity associated with pigs and geese, but man as a self-purposing organism eats selectively and learns from his eating experiences in order to live more profitably and richly.

An elementary school consultant, when asked about the school lunch program, indicated that he had learned to avoid it because of the smells, the mass feeding, and the negative climate that usually prevails. This is a terrible indictment. This simply indicates that the school lunch program is too often a managerial cousin or orphan of both the administration and the instructional program.

On the positive side, however, there are indications in the literature that in one small town the school lunch is a community project having both economic and learning proportions. In a large southern city the school nurse regularly helps elementary teachers to use the health service data and the knowledge of the nurse in planning instructional units. One writer gives an excellent example in the field of social education in showing how a Chinese boy faced with a strange dish of macaroni and cheese receives an addition to his social education. Feelings about food are important.

The nursery school has been an excellent laboratory for curriculum specialists even though it remains an orphan in most cases. Here the home economists have for many years experienced the importance of attitude formation at an early age. Eating habits are notoriously cultural. Displaced persons have been known to starve when surrounded with foods considered rich and satisfying by persons of other cultures. Farmers often move to cities and to sedentary occupations without knowing how to change their diets. Retired people often develop serious problems of a dietary nature. This certainly indicates a great opportunity for experiences in the field of personal living and cultural adjustment. What programs have been set up to deal with these problems?

One school lunch supervisor points out that the school lunch laboratory

^aCoyle, Mildred S.: School Nurse's Rôle in Lunch Program, The Nation's Schools, 57:106 (April) 1956.

has resources for the teaching of science, business, social education, home and family living, and health. There are electric mixers that have gears and pulleys. There are stoves and refrigerators that illustrate the principles of physics. There are choices to be made. There are meals to be planned and cooked. There are dishes to be made sanitary. There are flies to be kept out. There are tremendous opportunities for creating climates favorable to growth and to good mental health.

One major problem then is making the school lunch activity a teaching-learning situation. Good schools seek through student government activities and cooperative faculty work to treat all of the activities that go on in a school as curricular activities. The curriculum is to the learner his environment in motion—his environment as he is perceiving it anew each day. Thus the school lunch should be made an integral part of the school day.

Planning Teaching-Learning Procedures. Integrating school lunch into the curriculum does not necessarily mean integrated curriculums. Different schools have different instructional policies. Some teach departmentally, some teach through departmental and integrated activities. Integrated activities associated with the school lunch would be similar to student government and safety patrol projects in an elementary school having self-contained rooms. At the secondary level integration takes place when a core class takes responsibility for the school lunch or when all departments join in utilizing the lunchroom as a learning laboratory. But the important issue is that of getting some attention, departmental or otherwise. to the learning problem involved. True, integrated programs of high quality will be more effective than any others in the long run. The axis for action is from learner needs to appropriately planned teaching-learning procedures in the classroom and lunchroom.

Developing school policy. Any state or school system that studies the problem will soon generalize its plans of action under some policy. The state curriculum committee on health education in Michigan consulted expert opinion and developed a recommended policy statement or guide for schools that will serve as an excellent illustration.

"Statement of Policy on the Function of the School Lunch in the Total



In this classroom a school lunch related unit culminated in a tasting operation.

Educational Program: The federal program was established with the objective of improving the nutrition of the school child by means of a school feeding program integrated into the educational system of the school. Nutrition surveys in the last few years have not shown marked improvement in the nutrition of the child as a result of the school feeding program except in a few isolated communities with children who have never had a sufficient total quantity of food and for whom any additional amount of food would mean an improved nutrition. In some areas, the nutrition of the child has actually suffered because of a lesser responsibility on the part of the parent for providing adequate meals at other times during the day and because the child with food dislikes and a limited appetite has received little encouragement in consuming the noon meal.

"The key problem in the school lunch at this time is to integrate a feeding program into the educational program of the school so that the lunch becomes something more than an imposed feeding operation.

"The school attempts to prepare boys and girls to be self-supporting, independent thinking individuals capable of making decisions in all areas of living. In the case of the school lunch, these decisions concern health of which diet and food habits are a very important part. In addition, most people spend a large percentage of their earnings for food. It is important, therefore, for them to learn how to spend this money wisely. The school lunch seems to offer a place where these things can be taught in their natural

setting, thus dignifying the lunch program as an educational function rather than a business operation.

"Although final responsibility for school feeding lies with the administrator, the teaching staff, pupils, school lunch personnel, and the community should have an interest in and a rôle to play in the program. Goals of the school lunch program and the means of realizing these goals will vary with each community. There are difficulties in integrating the school lunch with the educational function, in that many administrators and teachers received their preparation and early experience at a time when there was no school lunch program or a very limited one. The supervision of the lunch hour is often accepted as an 'extra' in an already full day. The shortage of classroom space and of teachers makes for very little flexibility in schedules where essential subject matter instruction must take first place. The rôle that the school lunch could have in the total school program needs to be understood by the school board, the community, administrators, parents, teachers and students as well as the lunchroom

"The recommendations of this committee for the development of the school lunch are as follows:

"1. If the complete collaboration of the staff of the school is to be obtained, it will be necessary to include the administration and the guidance of the learning activities of the lunchroom as part of the teacher's regular load with an appropriate adjustment in time.

"A suitable committee structure which will include students as well as

members of the faculty, school lunch personnel, and school administration will make it possible to work out more effective means of supervision of the lunch hour with students themselves taking much of the responsibility for the organization and behavior in the lunchroom. If the relationships within the school are suitable, the governing committee could well include parents, members of the school board, and other interested community members.

"2. The school lunch can be made a more interesting and effective educational instrument if use is made of the classroom teaching opportunities which the school lunch provides. Actual participation in some phase of the school lunch program can be used in the following:

"A. Nutrition requirement for

growth.

"B. Opportunity to learn about a variety of foods.

"C. Social amenities.

"D. Personal hygiene and sanita-

"E. Citizenship training.

"F. Group participation.

"G. Home and family life education.

"H. The geography of food production.

"I. The necessary accounting methods in the operation of the lunchroom.

"Many other opportunities will occur to the alert teacher.

"3. The homemaking teacher because of her professional preparation has qualifications which enable her to take a leadership rôle in the development of policies relative to the school lunch as an educational program."

Administrative leadership for the lunch program. The second part of the problem is that of administrative leadership. Those specialists responsible for the school lunch program should recognize the problem of helping general administrators, instructional specialists, and teachers to understand the problem. Once understood, the matter will be resolved through cooperative educational planning. Student councils and committees, faculty committees, and experimental units should all be utilized.

Status leaders of education such as superintendents and principals usually come originally from some specialized field. Thus one would not expect a readiness for problems for which individuals have no experiential back-

ground. Besides this consideration the administration of school lunch is often a new problem. On-the-job experiences then must be relied on. This means that those especially concerned with the school lunch problem should carefully involve, rather than reject, general administrators and specialists of all kinds.

Administrators and instructional specialists are also responsible for inservice education of staff; therefore they are doubly important. Instructional specialists to be especially considered are the following: (1) curriculum consultants and coordinators and helping teachers, (2) department heads in secondary schools, (3) school psychologists, counselors and visiting teachers, and (4) school health service personnel.

But the nub of the problem is in interesting teachers. Administrative planning should be geared to this objective

Lay participation is needed. More and more instructional improvement in American schools is being achieved through citizen participation. There is a special reason for parent involvement in the case of the school lunch. Parents are primarily responsible for the feeding and growth of their children. The school has only a supplementary rôle. Thus parents should be involved in the co-planning of the school lunch and deeply involved in guidance of the child in his day-by-day nutrition. In spite of some extravagant claims to the contrary, eating must be considered a daily rather than a midday activity. Routine parent conferences, home visits, and reports of pupil progress should all deal with dietary and nutritional problems when they exist. School lunch problems are "naturals" for parent-teacher association meetings and study club meetings. All that is needed is a little leadership to break the ice.

Proposed actions. It seems wise to close with a set of specific recommendations that might be worth careful study and implementation.

First, it does seem that the American School Food Service Association might well join with the curriculum people in preparing a bulletin which would point out the importance of the school lunch problem, some educational principles involved, and some recommendations for introducing more teaching-learning procedures into the

curriculum. The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development is the one organization that brings together all types of curriculum specialists and general administrators interested in instruction. Possibly it might join with the A.S.F.S.A. in a cooperative effort.

Second, there are three things that might be done at the state level. In most cases school lunch divisions have not yet worked out close working relationships with the instructional people within the various state departments of education. There are many ways to do this, and it seems essential that it be done

A second need is for the development of a policy statement for each state. The very development of this policy could be a way of bringing together different types of specialists within state department staffs.

Another state matter of great importance is the rôle of the teacher educating institution and the graduate school in preparing people to deal with the school lunch problem. Considerable attention has been given to this already in regard to inservice education of school lunch personnel and the preparation of specialists other than educational specialists. But certainly teacher educating institutions can recognize the school lunch problem and introduce it in both their preparatory programs for teachers and their preparatory programs for educational specialists and general administrators. Much exploratory work needs to be done in this field.

Third, the American School Food Service Association might well make a study of the multi-dimensional approach to the school lunch program which would include curriculum. Multidimensional might refer to aspects of the problem like feelings, taste and nutrition, or it might put the dimensions on a broader basis such as management, cooperative planning with instructional people, specific teachings dealing with facts and principles such as those one would deal with in science and homemaking education, and social education, a term that could be used to embrace attitudes, manners, cooperative skills and personal responsibilities. Such an agreement among the persons directly concerned with management of the school lunch activity might tend better to orient newcomers to this work.

Fourth, some planning should be done and some recommendations should

be prepared on ways and means of interesting the busy teacher in the educational problem of the school lunch. Many elementary teachers whose children go home for lunch tend to ignore the problem. Teachers of home and family living, having had in many cases an unfortunate experience with school lunch, sometimes tend to shun their practical responsibilities as consultants and to ignore the teaching opportunities presented by the school lunch. Even teachers of health seldom use the lunchroom as a learning laboratory.

Fifth, a definite attempt should be made through experimental attempts in certain schools and school systems to work out appropriate personnel records and parent interviews so that parent, teacher, administrator, specialist, instructional specialist, and health specialist might all contribute to the accumulation of a longitudinal record and the wise use of that record in counseling.

Sixth, there should be some organized study of implications for school plant planning. Thousands of new buildings are being built. Instructional implications and sometimes more practical implications are often ignored in the planning of these buildings. For one thing, no one has found out how to avoid the mass feeding operation in a huge school. These large schools create problems of their own and particularly in regard to the school lunch program.

Small neighborhood schools are now being built in some school districts. More of these should come into existence. A few school systems are decentralizing their high school plants on one campus into units as small as 250. Such decentralization will make possible some favorable situations for the school lunch activity.

COOPERATION NEEDED

The foregoing represent only a few of the recommendations that might be made in this field. All the state directors and specialists concerned can think of others.

All work in this field should be controlled by the principle that conditions conducive to growth and mental health can be brought about only when the school lunch is made a pleasant, friendly, healthful activity carried on in the milieu of a small school or group by cooperating groups of parents, children, professionals and service people.

Exploratory studies provide some hunches on

Teacher Morale and Quality of Education

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THE simple fact is that not much is known about teachers and about teaching in areas that are really significant for improving education.

Much of the educational personnel research that exists is fragmentary and of a static character. One finds reports of investigations that give an answer only if you agree not to look behind the curtains that delimit them. Administrators know what are reported to be the personal characteristics of a good teacher, provided one assumes that all positions demand these characteristics. Many of the questions that need answering are behind the curtains of "if these things are so." Frequently the curtain may be "time." Research produces lists of qualities desirable in teachers, but there are no answers as to whether such qualities are born in teachers or can be developed in teachers and whether they can even be destroyed by some widely followed personnel policies and prac-

A few studies are beginning to appear that touch on some important issues. L. W. Anderson¹ made a study of teacher morale which related high morale of teachers with higher educational achievement of students. His study led him to list many factors that may affect morale. But Mr. Anderson left many questions unanswered and the further studies that should have been suggested by his research have yet to appear.

¹Anderson, Lester W.: A Study of Teacher Morale, State University of Iowa, 1950.

In the June 1955 issue of the Journal of Experimental Education, E. C. Hunter summarized several studies of morale and described one which he conducted in the New Orleans public schools. Many of the studies he described are investigations of only one or more parts of the morale factor configuration. Many studies start from definitions or lists of factors affecting morale; few begin with observations, recorded anecdotes, or unstructured interviews. None is comprehensive in scope.

A "know yourself" type of research seems to be emerging. This has possibilities of contributing much to understanding the factors that affect teachers and teaching. Arthur T. Jersild has made a challenging study in "When Teachers Face Themselves."2 From his study of approximately two hundred teachers, he states that two concerns stand out for teachers—the problem of the meaning of life and the problem of anxiety. Mr. Jersild has not answered the question of whether the concerns of teachers are different in quality or quantity from those of the nonteacher or how these concerns affect the teaching of teachers. His research does not attempt to point out the significance of his findings for improving education. Such depth studies into the teaching faculty are promising as well as challenging. If

²Jersild, Arthur T.: When Teachers Face Themselves, Bureau of Publications, Teachers College, Columbia University.

they stimulate further research they will have served a good purpose because at the present time we know far too little about teachers. Considering the fact that the largest single item on the school budget is for personnel services, we must give attention to the state of ignorance about what affects teachers.

From many standpoints—from that of the community furnishing the money, of the board member and superintendent concerned with efficient administration, of the boys and girls in the classroom whose education may be affected, of the teachers, supervisors, principals and superintendents concerned with their own welfare—the core questions for which better answers are needed may be stated as follows:

What is it that affects the teaching rate of teachers?

What is it that teachers need to get from their professional employment if they are to give more from their potential storehouse of skills, abilities and knowledge to improve the education of young people? That the giving rate differs for different teachers seems obvious to those who think about themselves and their colleagues.

When did you get the most satisfaction from teaching? Has this been less in some instances and, if so, why?

When you had high satisfaction did you give more freely of your ability and skill?

When you got less satisfaction did you withhold some of your potential contributions?

Do you recognize colleagues who have gone "dead" on teaching, repeating themselves, routinizing what should be creative and vital? Why?

Are there not some who have slowed down? Are there not some who, to their last day of teaching, remained vital, growing, contributing educators? Why?

These are the not-so-easy questions to answer, but these are the important questions for educational administration to answer.

A group of experienced administrators and teachers has been challenged by these questions in this unexplored area of research. For more than a year, members of this group have been meeting and talking. They have been making simple exploratory studies. Most of all they have been listening. They have discovered that one can find out a great deal about teaching by listening carefully and

thoughtfully. One possible reason we may know so little about teachers is that educators are not in the habit of listening. The educational profession is a talking profession and "out-talking" is almost a professional virtue. Listening is not highly developed as an art even by those administrative staff members who should be listening to teachers.

This group of searchers has been concerned about the teaching rate of teachers, which is often labeled as "morale" for convenience more than for definitive purposes. What are some of the slowly forming assumptions that stimulate these studies? While there is no semantic agreement among all members of the group, in their conversations they begin to show agreement about some of the following statements or assumptions that form a basis for their research.

- 1. A teacher must get a high degree of satisfaction from his professional employment if he is to contribute voluntarily and freely of his potential resources to his profession.
- 2. Satisfaction and morale exist in parallels—high satisfaction in teaching is generally accompanied by high morale among teachers, individually and in groups.
- 3. Morale is not a narrow, one-way street. It is composed of many interdependent, interacting and changing factors affecting either a group or an individual teacher. While morale may not be subject to easy measurement, indications of its presence and absence can be observed and recorded.
- 4. Morale is present to the degree that an individual directs his abilities, skills and knowledge toward the achievement of a desired and known goal about which he has convictions, personal acceptance, and faith. The degree to which morale is present is indicative of the degree to which potential individual and group resources are focused and called into action. Morale is, therefore, a general measure of the voluntary efforts of the individual and the group that lead to greater productivity toward desired goals.
- 5. The objective of all school personnel administration is to develop those policies and practices that maintain or raise the morale of individuals and groups. To lower morale

inadvertently is to decrease productivity. To raise morale is to increase individual and group productivity.

6. The objective of school personnel administration is to evaluate present policies and develop those policies and practices that maintain or increase the morale of educational employes. Morale and teacher welfare are inseparable.

If these assumptions are accepted, then educational personnel administration has a theoretical basis on which practices can be evaluated and developed. In view of the fact that, at present, the basis for policies in this area is hazy, perhaps these assumptions deserve a second reading and some consideration. Teaching is gradually emerging as a profession, but the policies and practices widely followed came into existence at a time when a teacher was not considered "a professional worker." Some reflect the time when the judgment of teachers was not trusted. Some are definite hindrances to the development of professional attitudes among teachers. Some are definitely morale destructive. Many "old wives' tales" behind the reasons for personnel policies and practices need to be re-evaluated according to some sound personnel theory.

In the explorations and simple researches that have helped to formulate these assumptions, hunches are beginning to take shape. A hunch is the first hazy stage of question formulation—a necessary step in the careful statement of a hypothesis to be tested by research. Many of these hunches are provocative. Some are being incorporated into a larger design for testing in research in educational personnel by this group of students.

One hunch that is emerging is that schools, like societies, are structured in their relationships. The structure, its strength, and its rigidity differ with the school situation. The structure can play a powerful rôle in influencing the dynamic quality of the educational program. Some structures follow the line-staff organization so commonly diagrammed to describe how a school system works. But some of them do not.

The structure may differ, depending on what function is described, but certainly the personnel structures are more varied and in some cases more powerful than the line-staff organization. There may be unknown focuses of personal power and influence. Educational progress may be possible under some types of structuring, but in others the structure may be the block. Principals desiring to offer school leadership may beat their heads against stone walls of intangible resistances that cannot be overcome except by changing this basic personnel structure. Sometimes the personnel policy of a school system itself can rigidify a certain kind of obstructing relationship. What structuring is permissible in maintaining high morale and a dynamic education?

Faculty relations may be related to the "position" concept of individual faculty members and faculty groups. They operate toward positions thought of as higher, lower and on the same level. How do teachers conceive of the position of principal? This may determine what the principal can do and what he should not do. What are the "social distances" existing between positions, and how does this factor determine acceptable behavior? Why is the supervisor grouped with the administration, and what problems in improving education does such a designation create? What do secondary teachers think of elementary teachers, and how does this affect attitudes toward the single salary schedule? Position concepts may influence or effectively impede educational communica-

The "boss" concept linked to the administrator is still with us even though it is weaker. In place of the "boss" concept there may be other concepts developing with respect to certain positions. What are they?

Salaries, while they are important, may not be so critical as they are publicized to be. The dissatisfactions of the secondary school teachers of New York City may have more to do with loss of status and recognition than they do with salary differential. The size of the pay envelope may be the visual means for expressing many things in personnel relations that can't be expressed in as concrete terms and that are frequently not talked about. What is the relation of the policies of salary schedules to morale? What happens to morale when you reach the top of the salary schedule in 15 steps and spend the next 30 years with no salary recognition for improved teaching? If teachers' salary demands were all met, would education in the classroom be better?

Morale may have a strong psycho-

logical base. What are the rewards teachers seek? That they differ among teachers may be true. Do they differ with older teachers? One hunch that keeps reappearing in tentative researches is that educational administration has not provided for sufficient and varied psychological rewards and has given too little attention to rewards for the older teachers who now dominate the school. Democratic administration that gives a few psychological rewards may not produce a high state of morale among the faculty. May it not produce a contentment, a satisfaction with a status quo? We have not studied or developed systems for psychological rewards in education. We are frequently unable to distinguish between high morale and just plain self-satisfaction. Productivity among educators may require a certain degree of dissatisfaction. A perfect morale score may be synonymous with somnambulism.

"Aging of teachers" is a short-circuit answer of administrators that is given to explain why something is less than desirable in schools. It is an offhand answer because we don't know very much about younger or even about older teachers. What is the kind of attention "older" teachers seek, and do younger teachers want a different kind? "Aging," an expression often used for slowing down, may be a reaction induced by controllable causes. We just don't know why some teachers "age" early in their careers while others never seem to grow old.

Sex, marital status, religion and race, in and of themselves, seem to have little to do with morale, although these very factors when they form the basis for relations within a faculty may be destructive of morale. Are they?

Meaningfulness of life, significance of work, freedom to decide even to make mistakes have been found to be important factors determining morale status in industry. Are they equally effective in educational institutions? What is their status in a school system, and do they differ among schools, among groups of teachers, among individual teachers?

Routine work, irksome duties, selfesteem, personal problems—such factors may affect morale. Almost all teachers seem to have problems, but not all schools provide, consciously, an opportunity to obtain the advice and help needed by teachers in facing their personal problems. Industry has found such assistance to be beneficial to worker morale and, in turn, to increased productivity. What about the human beings who are in education?

The community, the school, the parent-teacher relationships-ideas that are talked about so often-may be administered on the basis of reminiscences of days gone by. Whether we like it or not, the school, the community, and the professional teacher are evolving different patterns and different qualities of relationships. Teachers are not so much "of the community" as formerly. May it not be true that many school policies and many parent-teacher activities are still organized in a framework of relationships that exist no longer? The teachers', parents' and community's thinking about one another may be changing without anyone's being aware of it. What is it now?

Sometimes the staff of a school system or the faculty of a particular school evolves "ways of doing things" that are never talked about but are influential in controlling behavior. A "code of doing things" may exist on the junior administrative level that differs from the teachers' code. These standards or codes may operate without relation or even in opposition to personnel policies. They may be stronger than the principles of a salary schedule, the rules and regulations of the board of education, or the administrative edicts, rules or suggestions of the superintendent. They may be the determinants of what will, and can, take place in some schools. Many teachers relate how the group can circumvent "the boss" while he thinks it is cooperating even if not too effectively. What are the unwritten group standards of a school and schools? Can they be changed, and how?

Other hunches are taking shape out of these exploratory studies of personnel. A few have been mentioned for the purpose of illustrating possible directions in which personnel research could go. The educational administrator wili be working in virgin territory when he asks this basic question: What is it that makes a teacher use more of his personal resources to improve his teaching? He will be rewarded by the significance of his findings because the morale of a school may be the most significant factor in determining the quality of education.



It started at Lane Technical High School, Chicago, twenty years ago, and Lane's original system of teaching driving to students is still in use there.

All behind-the-wheel training also is effective, as is use of a driving range. Variations on all three methods are practiced in various American cities.

The Lives You Save by Driver Training

are well worth the dollar cost per student

Interviews with WAYNE P. HUGHES, Director of the School and College Division, National Safety Council and ROYAL S. BROWNE, Driver Training Instructor, Lane Technical High School, Chicago

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A S MORE and more states are providing financial aid for driver education courses, more and more administrators are faced with the problem of fitting driver education into their curriculums.

Sold though he may be on the value of driver education, the administrator still has to find the money, the teacher, and the time, during an already crowded school day, for the course.

Within the next 10 years, thinks Wayne P. Hughes, director of the school and college division, National Safety Council, most states will pass legislation authorizing payment by the states of part of the cost of driver education courses.

Just how expensive are such courses? One estimate is that "the dollar cost per student for a complete course in driver education varies from \$20 to \$35, depending upon local conditions and type of programs. While this cost may appear high, it may be pointed out that it is no more expensive than for other special subjects in the curriculum." The cost includes the teacher's salary, instructional material, and insurance and maintenance of

automobiles. Some schools purchase the automobiles used in their driver education courses; in other towns automobile dealers lend cars to the schools

There are three types of driver training programs. At present, according to Dr. Hughes, not enough research has been done to establish conclusively that any one of the three is the best way of teaching driver education. More research is needed, and probably will be undertaken, he thinks.

One fact has been established: The most expensive method is the conventional, all behind-the-wheel training with dual control cars. One student is behind the wheel, with the instructor beside him; usually three other students are in the car, observing. A recent study² covering 75,607 students in 1115 high schools showed that in 1954-55 the average cost for each student trained this way was \$33.32. This included 32.8 clock hours of classroom instruction, 18.9 hours of observation in a car, and eight hours of behind-the-wheel practice.

A second method depends upon an off-the-street driving range, constructed

to simulate street driving conditions. In a dual-control car, the instructor shows students the primary steps taken in starting and stopping an automobile. As soon as a student has demonstrated to the instructor's satisfaction that he can perform these tasks, he is permitted to drive alone. The instructor tours the area in a car equipped with a public address system, giving advice when it is needed.

After the pupils have mastered the first skills, they again are taken in a dual-control car to learn the next steps. Occasionally the instructor rides in a car with a student to prevent him from forming incorrect habits.

During 10 years that such a plan was in operation in Detroit,³ there were no personal injury accidents, and property damage was, on the average, no greater than for dual-control cars operating on the street at other schools. Detroit figured that the cost per student of this instruction was only \$10.

A third method features the use of dummy cars. This method is well illustrated by the course organized at Lane Technical High School, Chicago, in

¹Driver Education in the Secondary School: What—Why—How, Association of Casualty and Surety Companies, 1954.

^aAllgaier, Earl, and Yaksich, Sam: What You Pay and What You Get, Safety Education, April 1956.

^aGraham, Gordon C.: Detroit Teaches Pupils Behind-the-Wheel for \$10, Safety Education, April 1953.

1937, and still being taught there. As this was the original example of mass teaching, let us look at this course in some detail.

1. For one semester 30 boys spend one double period (an hour and 25 minutes) a week in the safe driving classroom. Ordinary desks occupy half the classroom; in the other half are "practice cars" made in Lane's shops from the plans of Teacher Royal S. Browne.

2. During a second semester 15 boys spend a double period each week for 10 weeks on a practice driving course laid out on the school's campus.

An attempt is made to have every Lane student take the safe driving course, but with an enrollment of nearly 6000 boys this is impossible. However, a majority are taken out of a shop class once a week during their sophomore year for driver education.

Although textbooks are now available, none are used at Lane. The course of study, modified over the years as laws, traffic conditions, and cars have changed, is pretty much that adopted

19 years ago. Basis of the class work is two small booklets, "Laws Relating to Motor Vehicles," published by the state of Illinois, and Chicago's "Traffic Regulations."

While Mr. Browne impresses his students with the necessity for traffic laws and for obeying such laws, he also points out their rights as motorists. For instance, one boy reported a policeman had given him a ticket for parking without lights. He and Mr. Browne checked the Chicago traffic regulations and found that, in a brightly lighted area such as he had been in, the law did not require that a parked car's lights be turned on. The boy went to court, entered a plea of "Not Guilty," and handed the judge a marked copy of the traffic regulations. The case was dismissed.

Posters, cartoons, newspaper and magazine articles—anything pertaining to safe driving—cover the room's corkboards.

Mr. Browne has found that state and city departments, insurance companies, automobile manufacturers, safety organizations—in fact, just about anyone concerned in any way with driving—are most helpful in giving him information and material he needs.

The "practice cars" in the classroom consist of a single wooden seat (adjustable for leg length), a steering column and wheel, steering column gearshift, clutch, brake and accelerator. While these look and work pretty much like similar equipment in an automobile, they are really electric switches which light corresponding lights on a central panel.

NO GEARS STRIPPED

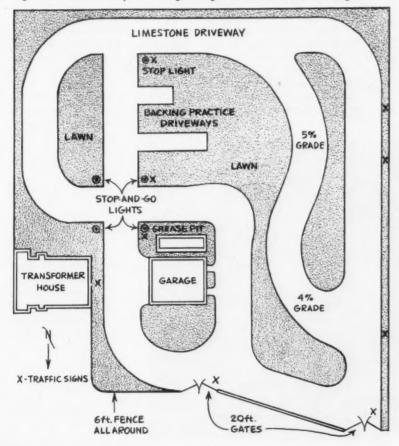
Watching this panel, the instructor knows instantly that the boy in car 18 has stepped on the accelerator when he should have stepped on the brake. If a boy shifts gears without throwing out the clutch, he simply fails to light the proper lights on the control board. In a real car he strips the gears.

Conventionally enough, the boys are given an unconventional test at the end of the semester. Mr. Browne explained: "We have made motion pictures by mounting a camera on the windshield of a car which is driven through all types of traffic. The film is projected on a screen before the students in the practice cars, which are driven according to the conditions depicted. The drivers' reactions are registered on the light panel."

The students also are given psychophysical tests-eye, range of vision, glare blind, distance judgment. In a special machine, also made in Lane's shops, reaction time is tested. Just how long does it take for a message to travel from the eye to the brain to the right foot-which then moves from the accelerator to the brake? average time for Lane Tech students is a fast 3/8 second; nationally the average is 5/8 second. The whole point of this test, of course, is to make the boys realize that, contrary to what they probably have been thinking, they don't react instantly to any situation that means "Stop the car!" A prominently displayed poster shows the time needed to bring a car traveling at various speeds to a complete stop.

The practice cars are almost boyproof. With little maintenance, they're in nearly as good shape as when they were installed in 1940. While these cars are not manufactured commercially, teachers from other cities have gone to Lane to examine and measure the cars with the idea of reproducing

Lane Technical High School's outside driving course is about 1/4 mile long, with curves, traffic signs, automatic stop and go lights, and backing areas. There's only one thing wrong with it: It should be longer.



them in their own school shops. Also there now are dummy cars commercially manufactured.

Mr. Browne is often asked, "What about cars with automatic transmissions?" Under present Illinois laws anyone passing a driving test in a car with a conventional gearshift is given a license entitling him to drive a car with a gearshift or one with an automatic transmission. But anyone passing the test in a car with an automatic transmission is given a license restricting him to driving that kind of car. For that reason, until the law is changed and/or most cars are equipped with automatic transmissions, Mr. Browne expects Lane Tech boys will be taught to shift gears.

However, two of the cars used for actual driving instruction are equipped with automatic transmissions. Rarely, because Lane Tech boys tend to be mechanically minded, a boy just can't operate a car with a gearshift but does fine with an automatic transmission.

DRIVING COURSE BUILT

The outside driving course is a fenced area on the campus. The bituminous surfaced roadway is about ½ mile long and has curves, turns, a 5 per cent grade (the nearest thing to a hill in Chicago), standard traffic signs, automatic stop and go lights, and backing areas. This area was built by the W.P.A. when the driving course was begun. Mr. Browne would like to make only one change: Enlarge it. When 15 cars are driven on the course, traffic is just too congested. For this

reason, until their final lesson the students are never permitted to drive in second or third gear, only in first or reverse.

This driving course has many advantages: Even though they have already learned the fundamentals of driving, beginning drivers are considerably safer there than they would be on the city streets. Occasionally a damaged clutch or a banged-up fender has to be repaired, but there never has been a serious accident on the driving course. Then, too, there are financial advantages. Cars owned by the school and driven only on school property do not need to have state licenses or to be covered by insurance. Gasoline taxes-about 5 cents per gallon in Illinois-are refunded, since the taxes must be paid only by owners of vehicles used on public highways.

"The cars are driven about 25 miles by each student," explains Mr. Browne, "but because of their practice on dummy cars and the highly concentrated experiences on the driving course, the students attain the proficiency usually gained from several hundred miles of driving, and the state examiners have highly praised the students presenting themselves for an operator's license."

The school owns 18 cars. Three of these are held in reserve and used when repairs must be made on the regular cars. Automobiles are replaced about every five years.

Lane offers no driver education for adults, except indirectly. The boys take home what they have learned, and they bring back to Mr. Browne questions from their parents. Parents are enthusiastic about their sons' taking this course; in 19 years only one parent has refused permission for his son to learn to drive in school. If it is practical, the Lane teacher thinks it is an excellent idea for schools to offer driver education courses for adults.

As far as getting a license is concerned, Lane boys are on their own. The school makes no arrangements for their driving tests. This is partly because school authorities think that the responsibility for granting a license should rest entirely with the examiner and not in any way with the school. Comparatively few boys who have taken the Lane course are involved in accidents or are arrested for traffic law violations. Despite the success of the Lane course, driver education is not taught in other Chicago schools.

FINDING A TEACHER

Finding a teacher of driving with proper training or one willing to take proper training is not quite the problem it once was.

Back in the 'Thirties and 'Forties most teachers received their training in short-term intensive courses—usually a week long. Instructors were mostly teams sent out by the American Automobile Association and the Association of Casualty and Insurance Companies. They often conducted their classes on college campuses and under college auspices. As the colleges themselves began instituting courses for driver education teachers, the demand



In these dummy cars, Lane's students can learn a great deal about steering and shifting gears before they ever sit in the driver's seat of an automobile.



for the short courses lessened and now has almost disappeared.

When a school system decides to begin courses in driver education, often there are teachers in the high schools who are interested and willing to take the necessary college courses to qualify as driver education instructors. This is not the answer to the principal's problem of what to do with the teacher who has not been successful in teaching other subjects. The teacher of driver education needs to be a likeable person and to have patience, imagination, energy, an interest in young people, knowledge of the subject, and a strong desire to do an effective teaching job.

Patience is more important for the driver instructor than for other teachers because he spends his days catching students' errors; students change, but errors are often the same. If the teacher becomes annoyed and scolds the youngsters, he may make them so nervous or resentful as to interfere with their ability to learn to drive.

Perhaps the school administrator doesn't think of it that way, but the driver education course is part of a school system's public relations pro-

Part of one wall in Lane's driver training classroom is covered with traffic signs. Students learn that standard shapes have been adopted for the various signs; a driver can recognize the shape before he can read the sign.

gram, Dr. Hughes of the National Safety Council says. Of course, the school head wants all subjects well taught, but he must realize that it is obvious to local citizens how well or how poorly driver education is taught. They are likely to decide other subjects are taught equally well or equally poorly.

NO EASY ANSWER

There isn't any easy answer to the problem of scheduling driver education classes, Dr. Hughes admits. If the administrator and his community think it is important enough, time and money will be found. It has been found in thousands of high schools.

Driver education may be established as a regular subject in the school curriculum, or several periods a week may be designated for it within another subject.

Some schools, for financial reasons, offer only the classroom phase of driver education. Undoubtedly this is the more important, for teen-agers will

learn to drive somehow; a relative or a friend will teach them if no one else does. But they won't learn much about the theoretical end—such as traffic laws and courtesies, and why a driver should follow certain procedures—unless they learn it in school.

If teen-agers are taught to drive by persons who themselves never had adequate training as drivers, they pick up bad habits. One of the chief arguments for driver education courses is the necessity for avoiding this perpetuation of bad driving habits.

Dr. Hughes thinks it is a mistake for schools to schedule the practice driving periods after school, on Saturday, or during the summer, even when they are supervised by qualified instructors. If the school doesn't attach sufficient importance to driver education to schedule it during the regular school day, he points out, students are likely to think it of small importance. Also the wholesome relationship between classroom work and practice is broken.



STAGE SETTING and PROPERTIES: Bust of Horace Mann. Picture of former, much loved superintendent. Graph showing accomplishments in spelling of various grades. Tarnished silver cup, dated 1900, and inscribed "Presented to the School System in the State That Collected the Most Money for 'Oyster Shuckers' Memorial' by the Evening Battle Cry." Picture of "Reading From Homer." Bookcases filled with works on psychology, history of education, school administration, supervised study, and curriculum making. Bound reports of N.E.A. for last 25 years. Five-foot shelf of school surveys. Iron safe on top of which is a venerable atlas and a city directory. Calendar from St. Germacide National Bank.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DAY

Hasn's Changed Much-or Enough

This skit, written by ERNEST C. HARTWELL 20 years ago when the author was superintendent of schools at Buffalo, N.Y., has just come to light.

DRAMATIS PERSONAE

SUPT. (vigorous looking man in squeaky swivel chair) STENOG. (long-suffering, capable, has sense of humor)

SCENE I

SUPT. (pressing buzzer venomously): Miss Long-Suffering, here are your general instructions for the day.

1. Send form letter to 17 applicants for teaching positions in our school system.

2. Rubber-stamp my name on all these Normal School entrance blanks. I thus personally guarantee the scholarship, moral character, personality and general fitness of a lot of young people I don't even know by sight, in accordance with the wise provisions of the state law.

3. Reply to these inquiries on our salary schedule, sick leave regulations, and auto allowance.

4. Get up some statistics for the Playground Association. It wants to know how many square feet per child per school are provided under existing conditions. Compare these with the figures of 10 years ago.

Take care of these five questionnaires from graduate students. They're working on their theses.

6. Write the State Department apologizing for the delay in getting out our reports.

7. Make a list of the 35 oldest teachers in the system for the secretary of the State Teachers Association.

8. Get me the percentages of high school freshmen who failed in algebra last semester.

9. Write a letter of regret to the attendance officers. I find I can't attend their wiener roast.

10. Politely decline this request to review the book "Pedagogical Engineering."

And, Miss Long-Suffering, hurry all this up, if you please, for I have a lot of other letters to get out today. Then I want to dictate a shattering defense for that legislative inquiry on school costs. But, before you start, bring in my schedule for this week.

STENOG. (dashes out to her adjoining coop and dashes back in): Here's your schedule, Dr. Supt.

MONDAY

Noon: Speak at luncheon of drive to eliminate
"The Merchant of Venice" from the approved high school reading list.

4 p.m.: Principals' meeting.

8 p.m.: Speak to Men's Club, Sixth Baptist Church.

TUESDAY

Noon: Lunch with Committee on Prevention of Crime. (Committee is of opinion that, if schools were doing their job, no committee would be necessary.)

4 p.m.: Teachers' salary committee.

8 p.m.: Judge debate on "The Value of Latin."



WEDNESDAY

10-12: Board of Education meeting.

Noon: Rotary Club luncheon.

3 p.m.: Mothers Club, Horatio Botts School.

7:30 p.m.: Speak to Ladies Auxiliary, Iron Molders Union.

THURSDAY

Noon: Lunch with Chamber of Commerce thrift

4 p.m.: Conference with Chief of Police on safety instruction in schools.

7 p.m.: Annual dinner of Morning Glory Alumni; last of nine speakers.

FRIDAY

10 a.m.: Delegation seeking addition to schoolhouse built just after Battle of Gettysburg.

11 a.m.: App't with J. Babbitt, realtor, re land he wants to sell as school site.

Noon: Lunch with Boy Scout executive committee.

1:30 p.m.: Dentist (even supt. is entitled to some relaxation).

3 p.m.: Meet with committee from Taxpayers League interested in retrenchment.

4 p.m.: App't with Corp. Counsel defending Mrs. Scoopus' damage suit for fall on icy sidewalk in front of Demosthenes Vocational School, which caused her great pain and anguish less than three years ago.

5 p.m.: App't with Inspector of Street Trades; alleges five boys selling newspapers failed to produce birth certificates.

8 p.m.: Lecture on "The Nature of the Child," Julius Caesar High School P.T.A.

SATURDAY

10 a.m.: Review school pageant celebrating 90th anniversary of opening of Garboyl Canal.

Noon: Due to hear of Doll Dressing Drive for purpose of cultivating friendly relations with Japan.

High school football game.

STENOG. (glancing at schedule): I don't seem to have you down for anything on Sunday this week.

SUPT. I have a note in my pocket about Sunday dates. Those calls came in late at night on my home phone. (Lays schedule down and picks up bunch of newspaper clippings. Selects "Letters to Editor" clips first. Reads them sotto voce.)

"I saw one of the school staff using a public school car on Sunday."—Taxpayer.

"The public would like to know why discrimination is practiced in the assignment of school janitors."—Fair Play.

"... I for one long for the day that will bring back the Little Red Schoolhouse."—Amanda Stokes.

"Why, I ask, should a public servant, the superintendent of city schools, be inaccessible? On two different occasions parties calling at his office were unable to see him."—Irate Citizen.

"You teach French in the high school. You also teach German. Yet our town has many Swedish people, and you do not teach Swedish. Who pays the taxes—the French? The Germans? The Germans are only handfuls. But Swedish people, they are plentiful."—I. Jenson.

SCENE II

TIME: Morning of the next day. PLACE: Superintendent's office.

STENOG. Good morning, Dr. Supt.

SUPT. 'Morning. I don't like all this newspaper criticism about my being inaccessible. Instead of working on curriculum revision as I planned to this morning, I think I'd better receive all comers.

(Callers are received in order of arrival.)

SUPT. No, Mr. Myers, I do not wish to purchase any custom-made shirts. . . . Thank you, sir, but I'm not interested in acquiring stock in the Ureka Can Opener Company. . . . Harry, you ought to know that I'm already loaded with more insurance than I can pay for. . . . I have already contributed to the fund for suffering Siberians, Mrs. Allerdyce. . . . Yes, I'll take two tickets to the Policeman's Ball, Officer. But I'm not just sure Mrs. Supt. and I can attend. . . . Bob, tell your city editor that our school system will not be influenced by the decision of the school principals of Wapoose, Wis., to require all teachers to wear purple smocks in the classroom. . . . Yes, Mr. Carter. I'll report to you at the board meeting tomorrow why Mrs. O'Rafferty, a cleaning woman, was laid off last Friday at Martin Luther High School. I'll investigate, Mr. Carter; you can rest assured. . . . We don't permit sales campaigns among the children at school-no, not even of garden seeds. . . . Sorry, Mrs. Appleby, I'll not be able to judge the Better Babies contest. . . . Mrs. Rosenblatt, I repeat, I'll do my very best to track down Abie's new rubbers. . . . Yes, Mr. Herman, you have rendered the schools a number of courtesies, and they are appreciated. But we really can't close school half an hour early Friday because Tom Mix is going to parade down Main Street. . . . So you want the high school cafeteria business in cracker jack? Now- . . . Gentlemen, I will take up with the board tomorrow your union's request for higher pay for coal passers. (Rings buzzer. Miss Long-Suffering enters.)

STENOG. There are three salesmen still waiting, Doctor. They handle mucilage, rat extermination, and ash cans.

SUPT. I won't be able to see them this morning. I'm past due at the Crime Prevention luncheon.

(While talking with those who called in person, Dr. Supt. has been interrupted by 10 telephone calls in which he):

- 1. Promises bank to take care of overdraft immediately.
- 2. Tells a principal no holiday is contemplated on account of dedicating the new County Courthouse.
 - 3. Informs four people he is not in need of substitutes.

- 4. Tells Mrs. Gollowitz he finds it difficult to believe that the teacher has "picked" on her little boy. Agrees to investigate why boy was kept after school for 10 minutes twice in one week.
- 5. Expresses surprise at Mrs. Hardcastle's complaint about Jones school principal. Tells Mrs. H. he has rarely known a lovelier character than Principal McSwitch. Is sure there must be some error. Agrees to investigate.
- 6. Promises to introduce Professor Squelch at Ladies Literary School next Wednesday. Squelch to speak on "What's Wrong With Our Schools?"
- 7. Hears that vandals broke into schoolhouse last night.
- 8. Informs credit man from Golden Rule Installment Furniture House he has no way of compelling school employe to meet installments.
- Tells two persons that board rules now prohibit essay contests, however patriotic or philanthropic the intent.
- 10. Makes four engagements, five promises, and two wrong decisions.

SCENE III

(Clock is striking five.)

SUPT. (desperate, telephones wife): I may be a couple of hours late for dinner, dear. I must work on my message to the Association of School Superintendents at Chickabiddie Lake next week on "The First Duty of a Superintendent." You remember I spent all my spare time last summer blasting away through a book on the subject by Professor Quackenweasel of Abraham Lincoln Teachers College. I've been meaning to read another book or two on the subject but I just can't seem to get around to it. So a lot of my speech is going to have to be original material. Keep the meat loaf warm for me, and I'll be home by 7. (Buzzes violently for Stenog., looks owlishly out window, speaks): Miss Long-Suffering, I wish you would look up a quotation that begins: "To have is not to hold under the seared firmaments." I don't remember who wrote it but you know how it goes. It would be a great beginning for my Chickabiddie speech.

(Fixes eyes on Horace Mann's bust and declaims aloud):

It is imperative that we, the superintendents of schools, to whom have been entrusted the sacred duty of providing that indispensable educational leadership without which no real progress can be made in the operation of our great institutions of learning, must properly evaluate the individual responsibilties, the composite of which contributes to make up the sum total of our great task, and never for an instant permit the distracting details of the daily routine to obscure our vision, or—(lapses into his regular speaking voice) I'll write that down in longhand and let Miss Long-Suffering break up the sentence tomorrow. It may be a wee bit long. But that's a Supr's. first duty, all right—not to let distracting details obscure his vision. Yes, I think I'm on the right track for the Chickabiddie hove

(Blows nose, locks desk, and, looking wise and satisfied with a day well spent, starts out the door, muttering):

Before I go to judge the high school debate on "The Value of Latin," Mary and I must solve a difficult problem in arithmetic. It looks as if we would have to defer buying the new baby carriage at least one more month. I'll call the bank about that overdraft the first thing in the morning.

Nurse and teacher discuss the hearing problem of a school child.

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Teamwork approach characterizes fifty years of health services in Denver's public school system

School Nurse Is Part of School Program

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IN 1906, the first school nurse was employed by the Denver Board of Education. Fifty years have gone by, and we are celebrating our golden anniversary. Today's nurse is a far cry from the one 50 years ago. Not that as a person she is different, for both then and now the women who serve the children in the capacity of "school nurse" are dedicated women.

The first nurse stayed just one year, resigning because of discouragement and overwork. She was employed to work in the "foreign district," where heads and skin needed "cleaning up." Her places of activity were shelves in the lavatories in seven schools, miles from transportation. But what this nurse saw was not just dirty heads and skins but crippled bodies, aching teeth, and underfed children. What she had to work with was almost nothing, either in the schools themselves or in the community.

Today, Denver has 54 school nurses employed to work some time every week in every school, with transportation allowed and community services available if not always adequate. Modern health rooms are provided in all buildings, and the new health rooms are a part of the administrative setup. Each nurse carries an average pupil load of from 1200 to 1600 in the elementary and junior high schools, and there are full-time nurses in the high schools in which present enroll-

ments are from 1100 to 2900 students. With rising taxes and the tax-conscious citizens eyeing all parts of the school structure, we have had to look at the school health services to see if we nurses are luxuries. We believe we are not.

We like to believe that the program is based on this premise: "If what is done in a school health program contributes to the educational process, it belongs to the school program. If it does not, it belongs to some other community agency." The school nurse then becomes a member of two professions—nursing and education, with a bit of social work interwoven into her educational background.

NURSES' SERVICES

These services are provided by a Denver school nurse today, as stated in the job analysis:

1. Assists teachers in their classroom program by:

A. Helping to relieve their concern for individual children.

B. Planning with the teachers the classroom teaching units concerned with health service activities that involve the children.

C. Planning with the teachers time for vision and hearing tests, weighing, dental examinations, inspections for skin infections, medical examinations.

D. Planning with the teachers all classroom first-aid procedures for the care of minor injuries. Planning the major first-aid program for the building, ordering the supplies, and supervising the materials used by the class-room teachers.

2. Assists the principals and teachers in admitting and excluding children who are ill or injured. All obviously well children are admitted by the office staff or teachers but, when there is a doubt, the nurse is consulted if she is in the building. All exclusions for illness are recommended by the nurse when she is in the building; counseling parents on further care is also her province.

3. Organizes all programs for the control of communicable diseases in her building, such as immunization procedures, reporting of diseases, and helping with parent education in planning for better understanding of the parents' part in disease control.

4. Assists the medical examiners in conducting the examinations when given at school. Encourages referral to the family physician for these examinations. Follows through with parents and teachers on all medical recommendations for helping the child.

5. Is responsible for obtaining all screening procedures on the children who are due to have them. These include weight, vision, hearing and dental screenings. The nurse does only a few of these screenings but is responsible for selecting and scheduling

the children who are screened by the technicians when they come to the school.

6. Is responsible for family contacts concerning health problems of individual children. The nurse does this by conferences with parents at school, in their homes, over the telephone, and by written notes. During the 1955-56 school year more than 35,000 parent contacts were made by the nurses.

7. Is responsible for the care and management of the health service rooms in her school. This includes the activities carried out in the clinic, the supplies and equipment, and the appearance of the rooms. Records and reports are part of this division of her work. Each child enrolled in the school has a cumulative health record which follows him throughout his entire public school experience.

8. Is responsible for many miscellaneous activities that assist the children, parents or school personnel.

EACH SCHOOL IS DIFFERENT

I have outlined the basic framework of the program, but each school is different as is each nurse. At times there are special surveys, tests or programs to be carried out.

Many of the nurses participate with the teachers in classroom instruction programs during health classes or when sex education is presented. Many are in demand as speakers for study groups and parent-teacher meetings. Others make special studies and develop new

ways of functioning. No nurse may conduct regular classes unless she is certified as a teacher.

Another area where nurses function with teachers, psychologists and school social workers is in the mental hygiene program. Within the last 10 years there seems to be either a notable increase in the number, or a greater awareness, of emotionally disturbed children in our schools. Many of these are so disturbed that even children with considerable intelligence and ability are nonlearners, truants or delinquents.

TRY TO SOLVE CHILD'S PROBLEMS

The Denver schools have developed the team approach to help solve these problems. The teacher, principal, school social worker, and school nurse, working together, try to give these children special help. When the problems seem too great for the school team to handle, the principal may ask the school psychologist, after the child's parents have given permission, to administer a battery of tests to see if the underlying causes of the child's problem can be discovered. Then the school psychiatrist may recommend more intensive therapy or he may provide the social worker, teacher or nurse with some new guides for work with the parents or the child. By such conferences it is hoped all involved school personnel may gain better understanding of the children's needs and of ways of working with them.

In doing her work, the nurse has some rather fundamental problems which only the school administration, and especially the principals of the various schools, are in a position to help alleviate:

1. She needs to be clear about the lines of authority under which she works. The areas of authority within a democratic structure in a school include direct nursing and medical supervision as well as relationships to and assistance from the school principal and other school supervisors.

2. She needs an adequate work space or clinic and time to do a good job. This means a reasonable pupil load (fewer than 1500 pupils), equipment with which to work, and a cheerful, inspiring setting.

3. She needs a chance to be creative and to have a feeling that she has a job which is hers, a job in which by her own efforts she can succeed and be appreciated. This does not mean she wants to work without guides but rather to work creatively within a framework that she has helped to develop.

4. She wants security and status among the groups with which she works. Thus, she wants to be ranked in the schools with teachers, and, when she has comparable preparation, to be paid on the same salary schedule as teachers are rather than as other nurses working under other administrative surisdictions are paid.

5. She needs an understanding of herself as a person because she is an individual and as such is unique. She cannot always park her home problems when she comes to work, and these problems affect her work, her attitudes, and her feelings toward the school and the teachers. Also, what happens at school is carried over to her outside life. Schools are child centered, and school people need many adult centered activities when they are away from work.

ONE CENT OF EACH DOLLAR

This Denver school nursing program as described here costs the tax-payers approximately one cent of each dollar of the school budget. The nurse's time is distributed on the ratio of one-half day per week for each 125 to 150 children, depending somewhat on economic conditions of the neighborhood, the ages of the children, the number of working mothers, and the amount of time that must be used for transportation.



Teacher and school nurse cooperate to give health education to child.



Idaho school appears to flow out of the hillside abutment. Colors add to the feeling of buoyancy.

SCHOOLHOUSE PLANNING

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Monument to Reawakened Pride

Construction on ruggedly beautiful mountain site of glass-walled high school building, to house educational program integrated with needs of community, provides tangible symbol of renewed civic spirit among residents of ore mining town

ROBERT B. SHONFELD

Consciously or unconsciously, the school board building committee at Kellogg, Idaho, was looking for a monument when it planned its new consolidated high school building.

Located in the rich lead-silver-zinc Coeur d'Alene mining district in the beautiful Bitterroot Mountains, this town of 6500 should have had all the impetus and enthusiasm for growth it needed. But only a few years ago Kellogg seemed to be facing insoluble problems—problems stemming from the mining industry, which was its chief economic support, and from public apathy.

Much has happened to indicate a reversal of this attitude. Most of these events have taken place since the completion of the new high school building, following consolidation of nine small school districts of the area.

Completed and occupied in September, Kellogg High School solves the age-old, often unexpressed but important architectural problem of making a small secondary school building look big. It is an economical structure that works, educationally and psychologically. And, thanks to the skillful organization of its simple elements on a dramatic site, it is monumental, a symbol of an awakening interest in education in the community at large and especially in its dominant, once paternalistic, industry.

When they planned and designed Kellogg High School, Supt. Howard Andrews and his architects gave the mining community its first source of concrete achievement and a lasting source of pride. To accomplish this, Supt. Andrews actually put together an architectural team: Lawrence B.

Perkins of the architectural firm of Perkins & Will, Chicago and White Plains, N.Y., guided site selection, the relationship of educational program to building and financial planning, and the basic design and specifications of the building. A young Spokane firm, Culler & Gale (now Culler, Gale, Martell and Norrie), was given equal credit and the important job of turning out working drawings, detailed specifications, and on-the-job supervision.

SITE INFLUENCED DESIGN

Certainly, the monumental character of the building does not owe anything to size. It was designed for 600 students, and is about 68,000 square feet in area. The building's site has had a deep influence on its design. It is located in Jacob's Gulch, a narrow valley about a mile west of Kellogg. Mountains shelter the gulch (which runs north and south) on three sides. The south end opens on the highway and the town. A small stream, Jackass Creek, runs down from the mountains on the north end, right through the gulch.

The valley setting, the mountains, the ruggedly beautiful view, even Jackass Creek influenced the architectural features of the plan for the building. It is a three-element structure: classroom block, administration-service unit, and gymnasium. A steel and glass structure, the classroom wing is a two-story horizontal block on an east-west axis across the floor of the gulch. One end of the block spans the creek, and

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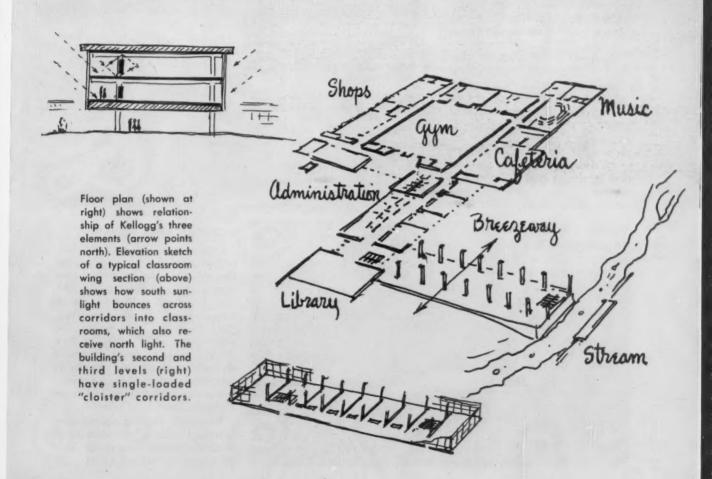
Three main elements are clear in the Kellogg design. Classroom wing rests on administration-service wing. Gymnasium-auditorium is at left of the administration wing. Mountains help filter out direct sunlight.

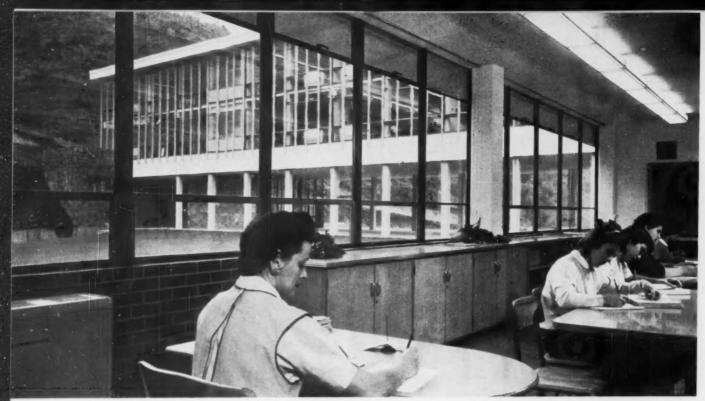




in foreground. Corridors command full sweep of country corridor, is used often for outdoor dances and pep rallies.

High school at Kellogg, Idaho, from southeast. Steel and to south, east and west. Paved breezeway area below glass classroom wing spans valley floor, crossing creek classrooms serves as student recreation space and outdoor





Kellogg's home economics room is in the administration-service wing, next to the school cafeteria. It faces east, opening onto outdoor recreation area, Jackass Creek, main classroom block, and breezeway. Not shown in the photograph are facilities for cooking, sewing and storage.

(Text Continued From Page 66) is anchored on the side of the hill east of the gulch. The west end is cantilevered over the one-story administration-service wing, which runs at right angles to the north. Gymnasium and cafeteria extend from the administration wing.

Placement of the classroom block across the creek and valley, with the other element parallel to the valley, underlines the influence of site on building design. Even more important is the glass wall, steel frame design of the classroom block, which takes full advantage of the setting's remarkable view. This was, of course, made practical by the surrounding mountains, which shelter the building from direct sunlight part of the day.

"FLOATS" ACROSS VALLEY

Benefits of the floor-to-ceiling glass wall construction of the classroom block are evident from both inside and outside the building. From the outside, the structure seems to be a bright rectangle floating across the valley against the dark mountainside. The inside activity and color are part of the outside design.

The floor-to-ceiling view of the surrounding mountains from inside the classrooms and corridors serves to emphasize the community's dependence on, and its close relationship with, the land around it. The fact that students can see down into Jackass Creek from inside the school building underlines this relationship with its natural surroundings even more strongly.

Improved lighting is another important benefit of the steel and glass construction. The glass walled corridor on the wing's south side serves as a sun porch for the classrooms on the north, which also have floor-to-ceiling glass walls. With this flood of north light, and the sunlight "bounced in" from the corridor on the south, classrooms all have bilateral natural daylighting.

In addition to fitting the site, the tri-level "L" plan has meaning academically. It separates, by levels, the classroom and administration-service areas. Thus, library service and administration areas are conveniently close to, but separated from, the classrooms. Principal's office, reception area, and library are directly under one end of the classroom wing.

Vocational arts facilities—home economics room and metal and woodworking shops—are in the ground floor unit, apart from the quieter classroom spaces. The shops are at the southwest side of the building, along-side the gymnasium. Home economics spaces are across from the administration rooms, and not too far from the school cafeteria.

This cafeteria for the present doubles as a little theater-auditorium. The gymnasium serves as an auditorium for larger groups. The reception room-administration office area and library are just off the main entrance. This makes the school's administration office an inviting, accessible place and also attracts student interest in the library. The audio-visual classroom is on the ground floor, just across from the library, which serves as the central repository for all teaching materials.

The band practice room, music library, and practice studios are also apart from the quieter sections of the school, at the extreme north side of the ground floor.

RECREATION AREAS PLANNED

Outdoor recreation areas have been planned, although not all are complete. One such space that has proved quite popular with students is the outdoor "breezeway" under the classroom wing, between the administration-library block and the stream. This shelter serves as an outdoor corridor for students going from one end of the building to the other and as an informal gathering and lounging space. It is also used often for outdoor dances and pep rallies.

The Jacob's Gulch slopes can serve as natural spectator stands for games in the outdoor recreation spaces. Other outdoor recreation areas, tennis courts, and team and band practice areas have been provided for in the site plan, directly south and north of the building. These have been planned for easy access from the gymnasium and band room.

As Supt. Andrews sees the job for his district, Joint Class A District 391, the school system has four clear-cut objectives:

1. To prepare the some 35 per cent of high school graduates who go on to college for advanced work.

2. To provide a large percentage of the graduates with the vocational skills demanded by local businesses and the mining companies.

To express and encourage the community's interest in music through its curriculum and through sponsorship of and cooperation with local concert and entertainment programs. 4. To provide an extensive nighttime adult education program, largely centered on vocational and citizenship training.

The new building was planned to carry out these goals as effectively as possible within the limits of the building budget.

"SPLIT CURRICULUM" USED

To provide for the first two objectives, Supt. Andrews inaugurated a "split curriculum" high school program. This includes an accelerated curriculum for students who plan to go to college. The general curriculum provides basic secondary education and skills in vocational arts for those who plan to go to work after graduation. Subject matter covered in the two programs overlaps in many areas, and a student in the general group could meet

college entrance requirements. The general curriculum, of course, places more emphasis on metal working, woodworking, home economics and mechanical drawing, although some vocational courses are required of all of the students.

Teaching and study methods in the two curriculums differ sharply. While general program courses are taught formally, with guided study and projects, students in the accelerated program are encouraged to develop their own methods and materials. Within the limits of the course subject matter, they are free to follow their own interests and study methods. Most accelerated classes are taught less formally, with class guidance by instructors only when necessary. Students are placed in their respective programs according to their own desires and plans,



Business training is important in this community, and ample space is provided for it. This typing classroom adjoins a shorthand and transcription room. Floor-to-ceiling glass walls flood area with daylight.

Some 65 per cent of graduates will be seeking employment with local mining companies and other businesses. Field observation trips add meaning to classwork preparing students for a variety of industrial jobs.





Stairway at the entrance area combines the building's rich variety of materials: stone, steel, glass, plaster, acoustical tile, brick. Entrance to breezeway is in the background.

and on the basis of their scores in intelligence, achievement and aptitude tests.

With this variety of teaching and study methods in the programming, the building had to be planned for as much flexibility as possible. All seats are movable. Classrooms have roomlength storage units for teaching materials, and all spaces are open to provide areas for group or individual, academic or activity study.

SCIENCE EMPHASIZED

An attempt was made to embody in the building the freedom and flexibility that are the essence of the school's accelerated teaching approach. It and the school's program reflect the technological and land-oriented goals of the community—for example, the great need for engineers, mining men, and carpenters.

The high school program provides for this need by emphasizing science courses, geology, mechanical drawing, metal working and woodworking. A large "technical" area accommodates the mechanics and woodworking shops with welding and metal-working rooms, tool room, paint room, lumber storage and project storage spaces, woodworking tool room, shop locker and shower room, and an industrial arts classroom. For the girls' "vocational" training, there is the home economics room, which includes complete cooking and kitchen facilities, sewing area, and general purpose space.

The science rooms—two of the largest of the 12 classrooms—are at the west end of the classroom wing. A geology class need only look out the window wall in any of three directions to see what the textbooks try to say. Kellogg biology classes are, like the community, deeply concerned with conservation and reforestation. These classes have, in fact, done much to replant and reclaim the scorched land around their school. And all the biology students must do to see how the conservation principles are working is to look out.

Much of the area's business looks to Kellogg High for its source of office help. So there are special typing and transcribing classrooms, as well as general classrooms for shorthand and bookkeeping courses. Some school people may be surprised at the amount of space and the facilities provided for the music department: a band practice room—which will hold its 100 piece band—three practice studios, a music library, and an instrument storage room. But the community has always been deeply interested in music; it has supported a concert series for years, several local choral and music groups, and regular musical variety reviews presented by the school.

MUSIC SHOWS POPULAR

One recent school music show played to a total audience of 3500—this in a community of 6000. Single performances have attracted audiences of as many as 1000. Kellogg High music groups always are among the top winners in state and regional music festivals, and the band is much in demand for local and state parades and programs.

If there is one regret Supt. Andrews has about the new high school building, it is that budget did not allow for a separate auditorium to provide better facilities for community concerts



Interest focuses heavily on geology and conservation. This general science laboratory gives students a view of the terrain and plant life they're studying.



Since the community's mining industry requires trained carpenters, metal workers, machinists, this metal shop serves vocational, general and adult programs.

Set high in a small valley, Kellogg High is truly a "school with a view." The building's open design gives students a refreshing view of the country-side all around. View from this science laboratory table is south, toward town, mine head, smelter and the vast, circumscribing mountain backdrop.

and shows. He hopes to build such an auditorium in the future, but until that time the school gymnasium is serving as a school and community concert hall.

Local and community groups of all kinds—music, business, social and civic—are encouraged to use the new building's facilities for meetings and programs.

Audio-visual facilities are centered in a classroom in the administration-service wing. Because of the school's remote location, rental audio-visual materials are not readily available and thus are not integrated into the teaching program as in many metropolitan areas. The district does not have a budget to build a film library, and scheduling problems make it difficult for teachers to fit films into their course planning. Other visual teaching materials are used more frequently than films and recordings are.

The high school principal, Leslie A. Larsen, feels that the open, outdoor oriented design has been completely responsible for a new high in morale among the teachers and a new relaxed, orderly behavior among the students. A walk between classes in the glass walled corridor is not unlike a promenade along a scenic trail.

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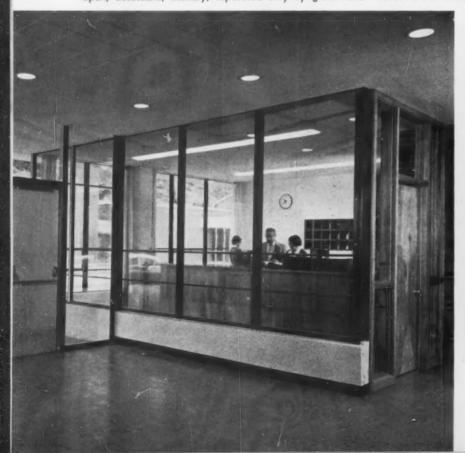


A dam on the creek, north of the school, provides a private water system. Biology students help check purity standards by running bacteria tests — a practical learning situation.

Students at Kellogg are extremely proud of their new school and have made every effort to perpetuate its atmosphere of newness. Picture (below) shows how wearers of galoshes went to the trouble of placing them on paper to protect wardrobe shelving.



Kellogg's school administrators wanted the students to feel at ease and at home with their supervisors. Thus, the principal's office and reception area, at the entrance, are open, accessible, friendly, separated only by glass wall. Both the library and its current fare offer their friendly invitation to browsing with this "see through" display case mounted on a glazed partition opposite the principal's office in the lobby. Good illumination assures attention.







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Color, too, has been used to great advantage in the building. Classroom partitions and corridor walls are painted in bright primary colors for a warm, stimulating effect.

There are no classroom doors; the only partitions between corridor and classrooms are free-floating locker-storage units. Thus, south sunlight coming in through the corridor glass wall streams around, under and over the partitions into the classrooms. This open partitioning is intended to make students and teachers feel the relationship of their class and themselves to the whole school community.

Surprisingly enough, even with the open partitioning, the school has a quiet, orderly air, even during class changing periods. No teachers have complained of noise or distractions from other rooms or corridors interfering with their classes, partly, no doubt, because of the acoustical tile ceilings and asphalt tile flooring.

The large areas of glass walls in the corridors could create an overheating problem—from direct rays of sunlight—in the classroom wing. To solve this problem, and to provide controlled heating and ventilation, mechanical unit ventilators are the main elements of the school's heating system. There is auxiliary radiation in the corridor, but the main heating and ventilating load is carried by unit ventilators in each classroom. The open partitioning



Classroom wing corridors (above, left), open to the outdoors on the south with glass, provide the school's sun porch. The only partitions between corridors and classrooms are free standing locker-storage units. View through classroom (above, right) is from storage unit side of partition, shows how sunlight is bounced into room, across corridor—above, below and around partitions. There are no doors to classrooms. Acoustical ceilings and other materials contribute to apparent sense of orderly and quiet self-discipline.

permits better circulation between classrooms and corridor, thus offsetting some of the solar heat gains from the south elevation.

In several places, building construction was influenced by the character of the area, the climate and geography. Roofs, for example, had to be designed tor a 40 pound snow load, and brick work was reinforced with steel reinforcing bars. This reinforcing was done for two reasons: Kellogg is located in the Zone 2 of seismic probability, and reinforcing also permitted use of thinner walls.

LOCAL STONE USED

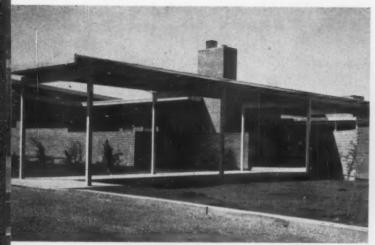
A local stone is used for accent around the entrances and as a veneer over the abutment supporting the east end of the classroom block. Instead of using a gravel fill to level the surface under the ground slab, the architects used slag from the near-by smelting plant. This slag was cheap, noncorrosive, and has good compaction.

Of course, the building of Kellogg High School has not solved all of the community's problems. But one thing is clear—the building did provide the first tangible symbol of the civic reawakening which ultimately will solve them.

Since the mining company has changed its once paternalistic policies, it is contributing almost half of the town's tax revenues; it has released its land holdings wherever possible, allowing for future expansion of the community; it has sold its business and housing interests; it is taking effective steps toward eliminating the fumes from its smelters.

Since the completion of the new high school, the citizens of the Kellogg area, too, have begun to respond. They have employed a city planner to help relieve congestion in their town and to guide an orderly future growth. They have drawn a master plan for expansion and rehabilitation of the area; they have passed a zoning ordinance. They have passed, by great majorities, several improvement bond issues—for new water districts, and for a \$1,095,000 hospital.

Truly, Kellogg High School is a symbol of a reawakened pride. It represents a school system that is showing a town a better way.



OFF-STREET LOADING ZONE, service yard, and incinerator help keep schools at Tucson, Ariz., safe and clean.



OFF-STREET PARKING for school employes protects their cars, avoids congestion, keeps the neighbors happy.

In schoolhouse planning

It's the Little Things That Count

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PROFESSIONAL magazines, workshops, conventions and the American Institute of Architects all have contributed materially toward the upgrading of school design and construction during the past few years.

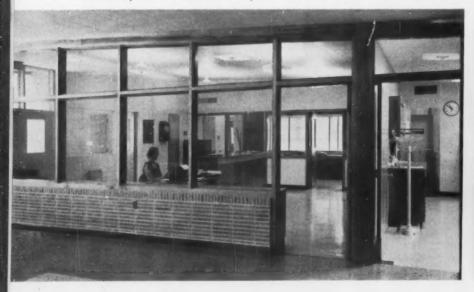
New schools are attractive, safe, functional and economical—both in original cost and for maintenance and operation. They are found everywhere—in large cities, in small towns, in rural areas.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES are designed to facilitate accessibility from corridors. Principal's office is at left.

Wherever one goes, superintendents of schools, business managers, and superintendents of buildings and grounds are glad to share ideas with all who take the trouble to request help.

Some of the ideas we have picked up all over the country and incorporated in our new buildings are illustrated in this article (the pictures show some sites not yet fully developed). To assemble the ideas, we visited hundreds of school

COUNTER HEIGHTS are planned for little folk, as well as for adults. Note abundance of borrowed daylight.





The NATION'S SCHOOLS



FENCED SCHOOL GROUNDS, frowned upon by some planners, keep traffic off the grounds and children off the street.



ON-GROUNDS PARKING LOT space is provided at the high schools for boys and girls, as well as for the employes.



BICYCLES, too, have their allotted parking space at junior high and elementary schools, near the buildings.

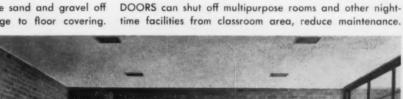


EXTERIOR DOORS of Tucson schools are metal-stainless steel, enameled steel, or aluminum-for low upkeep.

systems, from New York to California and from Texas to the Canadian border. To all our gracious hosts and helpful associates we extend our thanks.

FLOOR GRATES help children scrape sand and gravel off their shoes, thus minimizing damage to floor covering.

Also included in the illustrations are new ideas such as we have been able to develop occasionally in our own engineering and maintenance department.





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LIGHT CONTROL for this north exposure (above) is a slight roof overhang. Other rooms are shielded by a louver type of sun screen, window shades, or venetian blinds.



THE LOUVER type of sun screen may be impractical in areas where the sun shines less frequently and not so brightly. Architects tried almost everything to control glare.



TILE WAINSCOTING in the halls and tile around the TEACHERS' WORKSHOPS are pleasant places, permit condoor joints are making the cleaning easier, less costly. centration away from the hustle and bustle of the classroom.







WASHROOM FIXTURES are child-sized. Wall vents are placed low at the source, to eliminate objectionable odors.

SINKS now used in the elementary areas (left) are more accessible than wall units, provide liberal work surface.

The NATION'S SCHOOLS



EQUIPMENT of all kinds helps make learning fun, assures CHALK LEDGES are 4 inches wide, can be used as easels



its retention longer than if children only read books. for pictures borrowed from the school circulating library.



COAT CLOSETS in Tucson schools are small, at times AN ACTIVITY CORNER is part of each elementary room.



nonexistent. Cabinet at picture's left has proved adequate. This serves to create a friendly learning environment.

CLASSROOM PLANNING has assured comfortable work and play conditions for the children.







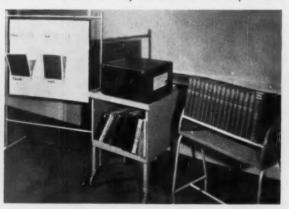
RETURN CHUTE for books is convenient for hurrying students. The bookstore (left) has an easy flow of traffic. It has done as much as \$175,000 business in one year.



SCIENCE AREAS are used both as laboratories and as classrooms for the efficient use of space.



PASS-THROUGH (at left) saves many steps. Equipment shown below was built by the maintenance department.



The NATION'S SCHOOLS



ADEQUATE STORAGE is a "must" in the art room. Plates are used as palettes. Storage space at the rear of the band room (right) and practice rooms are important.





THEATER-IN-THE-ROUND is a significant element of the high school program.

LOUNGES for both students (left) and teachers (right) provide pleasant surroundings. The style of the furniture reflects openness of the building design, adds interest.



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CAFETERIA SERVICE is provided in a covered exterior area for all of Tucson's junior and senior high students.

BENCHES of reinforced concrete save floor space. Floor drains and exhaust fans keep the room dry, air fresh.





STORAGE SPACE at new high schools is adequate for yard machinery and athletic equipment. Entrance is roomy.

TOILETS and urinals properly placed keep shower rooms as "shower rooms." Entire area is tiled and heated.

PATIOS of junior high schools are put to many uses. Area shown had not yet been landscaped.





GYMNASIUMS are replaced in Tucson by year-round outdoor play areas, which have excellent shower facilities.





RAMADAS provide shade for lunch, rest and even classrooms (above, left and right). At the right, a new unlandscaped patio furnishes primary children with outside room.

PATIOS (below) are the focal center around which many elementary schools and some junior high schools are built, forming an all-nature classroom extension, much enjoyed.





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If the Joneses want to go to Florida in March, taking Junior along, the principal is faced with the problem of

What to Do About Winter Vacations

GEORGE PROPECK

Principal, Junior High School, River Forest, III.



ONE of the continual and persistent problems that confronts the River Forest public schools is the midwinter vacation problem. Many of the parents in the upper and middle-upper income brackets insist upon taking their children with them when they take their annual winter vacations in Florida and other southern states. This practice placed undue burdens upon the teachers because the parents expected lesson plans and study guides to be prepared prior to their departure on the parents' well deserved vacation in the balmy South.

After much faculty discussion and after many suggestions had been submitted by staff members, it was decided to handle the problem on an individual family basis because only a minority of the families request the privilege. Parents are sent the essence of the policy in a personal letter, reproduced below.

Prior to the inauguration of the current policy, a study of winter vacations was conducted. After the results were tabulated, it was evident that the eighth grade pupils comprised the largest group of mid-winter vacationers. Twelve of 92 eighth graders were withdrawn from school by their parents for these unauthorized vacations. The absence periods of these pupils ranged from a few days to a few months.

The eighth grade is the terminal year in our school system. One parent explained: "We feel that our son should accompany us during our vacation this year because we know he won't be permitted to be out of *bigh school* without a health permit." Of course, the age and maturation of the pupils are important factors to be considered in determining whether a pupil should be permitted to go on a vacation.

The school staff also noted that several families made it a practice to plan winter vacations without observing the school calendar. (At least some families withdrew their children each year on dates which corresponded with the dates the children were absent during prior years.) Our records now verify the desire of and attempts made by parents of junior high school youngsters to plan their vacations when school is not in session.

The delayed action result of the policy has been most encouraging. The requests have diminished in number year by year. Seldom do parents request permission to withdraw their children from school two consecutive years. This may be attributed to the emphasis placed upon the importance of school experiences and the stress placed upon the rôle the pupil (not the teacher) should assume in accepting the responsibility for the makeup work after he returns.

The statement in regard to taking textbooks out of the district has merited some discussion. The textbooks are owned by the district and are rented to the pupils. Some difficulty has been encountered in recovering textbooks taken by pupils on what originally started as a mid-winter vacation but later developed into a permanent transfer. Parents who want copies of the textbooks are encouraged to purchase them from the district at school price.

In general, the policy has been well accepted, as evidenced by the lack of complaint and criticisms. It has been successful in view of its aim, namely, to reduce the number of pupils taking mid-winter vacations and to place the responsibility for makeup work with the pupils and their parents. #

Dear Mr. and Mrs.....

This is a confirmation of our discussion relative to.......'s absence during your contemplated trip to......

As you recall, I mentioned that he could take his workbooks with him and keep the assignments up to date. He should be able to estimate the assignments to be completed by the amount of work accomplished to date. We discourage pupils from taking textbooks out of the district under any circumstances.

It is desirable for you to encourage the reading of books and to review with him the current issues of periodicals or the daily newspaper, and to encourage him to keep informed on current events.

Material or information which can be used to supplement previous or future assignments should be acquired for reference or project use. Teachers are discouraged from outlining or assigning work prior to or during the absence; however......will be expected upon his return to be responsible for the work missed and will be expected to complete the projects and take the tests just the same as the pupils in full-time attendance.

One of the most successful technics to provide continuity in assignments is for the children to arrange for classmates to jot down all assignments and to give them to the absentees upon their return or to mail them in the event of a prolonged absence. This procedure will ensure the opportunity for makeup work.

We hope that you have an enjoyable

Cordially,

School Principal

What Classroom Teachers Say About Merit Rating

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Report on Conference Sponsored by Department of Classroom Teachers

THIRTY classroom teachers, carefully selected after consultations with state presidents of classroom teachers associations, met in Washington, D.C., November 23 and 24 and worked diligently to find answers to such questions as: What is merit rating? What are the beliefs and convictions about merit rating? How can we implement our beliefs and convictions about merit rating?

In planning the conference, the N.E.A. Department of Classroom Teachers invited teachers who have had experiences with what is popularly called "merit rating." Seven teachers taught in school systems which have put in practice a merit-rating program. Two teachers came from school systems which had abandoned merit rating. A few teachers came from school systems which are being strongly pressured by community groups to adopt merit rating. Two teachers had worked with state legislative committees set up to explore the possibilities of merit rating on a statewide basis. Those who planned the conference thought, therefore, that the group represented a cross section of opinions on this subject.

This conference was not the first that the N.E.A. Department of Classroom Teachers has held for the purpose of studying merit rating. In 1954, one of its study committees concluded "that subjective rating on specific items in a check list limits the growing teacher; that no system exists which fairly and adequately measures human growth in all its various facets, and, further, that, where teaching conditions are right, good teaching will readily develop and merit rating will be superfluous." At the N.E.A. convention at Portland in 1956 classroom

teacher groups restudied merit rating and voted against it. The Department of Classroom Teachers passed the following resolution:

"The department, after a considered review of the large volume of available evidence, reaffirms its stand in opposition to current merit rating or incentive schemes as they relate to salary scheduling. The department believes in continuing research in determining objective criteria for salary scheduling, but it maintains that experience to date has shown conclusively that basing salaries on merit rating destroys professional relations, creates professional strife, and impedes the cooperative improvement of education by teachers and administrators."

At this point one might appropriately ask why the N.E.A. Department of Classroom Teachers, after having taken a stand against merit rating for salary purposes, called another study conference. One answer lies in the resolution quoted—continuing research for objective criteria for salary scheduling. Another is the fact that classroom teacher groups are being forced through pressures brought by citizens to come forth with salary schedules including the merit-rating principle or show good reasons why the principle will not work. Still another answer lies in pressures coming from administrators and school board members who approve of merit rating.

In one of the opening speeches at the study conference Hilda Maehling, N.E.A. assistant executive secretary for professional development and welfare, stated that classroom teachers must take the lead in coming to decisions on merit rating. She asked:

Do we have schedules sufficiently

high so that we can turn to merit salary schedules?

Does the present interest in merit rating grow from a real interest in teaching, or is it motivated by a desire to economize?

Should the general level of salaries be raised or should just a few be rewarded?

After pointing out the semantic difficulties of the term "merit rating," Miss Maehling urged the group to try to find a common denominator in the factual descriptions of the merit-rating programs which were to be presented.

The first part of the conference was devoted to descriptions of merit-rating plans. Summaries of these follow:

Leon County (Tallahassee), Florida, uses a rating system based on points. It makes possible a range of \$1200, due to rating, between two teachers of equal training and experience. Starting with a base of 110 points, a teacher can earn \$10 per point for each point above 110 to a maximum of 160. For each point below 110 points, the teacher loses \$10. The minimum is 40 points. A teacher cannot earn more than 10 points in any one year.

The rating is now done by the building principal, who uses an appraisal sheet and usually calls in a teacher and discusses it with him.

Some benefits noted were a marked improvement in teaching, better student work habits, higher grades on college entrance examinations, and a keener interest in professional growth on the part of teachers. One weakness was noted. High ratings given to a few teachers occasionally cause bitter feelings among other teachers.

Grosse Pointe, Mich., employs, in addition to the basic training and experience qualifications of most salary schedules, a job classification feature. The Grosse Pointe program has been erroneously labeled "merit rating."

There are three schedules for teachers. Schedule A involves a normal teaching load; Schedule B, a normal load plus some additional activity; Schedule C, a normal load plus activities involving more responsibilities than those in Schedule B. A difference of about \$250 exists between A and B and between B and C.

Other than the first step on the schedule, there are no automatic promotions. All increments are earned, and there are several ways to qualify for them, ranging from college credit courses to educational travel.

The community appears to approve of the plan. People feel that teachers are making progress and deserve their salaries.

Ladue, Mo., has a merit plan that stresses the importance of the "democratic way of life." The plan is designed to reflect a philosophy of education in keeping with democratic concepts.

There are three salary schedules. The first ranges from \$3600 to \$5600, with annual increments of \$250. The second schedule ranges from \$4300 to \$7500, with increments of \$400. The third schedule ranges from \$5400 to \$10,400, with \$500 annual increments. Promotion from one schedule to another depends on evidence of competency.

The evaluation of a teacher's proficiency goes on continuously, but the building principal assumes the major responsibility for rating teachers. School officials admit that the evaluation procedure is subjective, but they defend their rating process by concluding that effective teaching cannot be measured objectively. If a teacher disagrees with the evaluation made by his building principal, he may consult with the superintendent. A conference involving the parties concerned is called to resolve the disagreement.

It is the responsibility of a standing committee on teacher evaluation to work continuously on the "Criteria for Evaluation" which are used to rate the teachers. Both teachers and administrative staff are represented on the committee. The criteria sheet in use has three main divisions: personal qualities of the superior teacher, professional qualities of the superior teacher, and evidences of superior teaching.

Questionnaire surveys indicate that the Ladue teachers like their merit plan.

West Hartford, Conn., has a "Career Teacher Award" plan. It grew out of a five-year study to work out an administratively sound means of rewarding teachers who give outstanding service to the schools and the community. It is a supermaximum plan which permits a teacher nominated by the teacher's principal or by any three fellow teachers to receive three additional increases of \$500 each beyond the normal maximum.

A screening committee composed of the superintendent and other staff members uses a criteria sheet to select the "career" teachers. During the past year, out of 88 teachers who reached the normal maximum, 15 were awarded the first step of the school system's "career" classification.

The West Hartford superintendent has indicated that the "career" plan will be successful only if the West Hartford salary maximums are at least equal to those of comparable school systems.

A poll taken in 1955 indicated that 85 per cent of the teachers approved of the plan.

Alton, Ill., has had a merit-rating plan since 1942. For several years a system of rating teachers numerically was used. Teachers say that the biggest advantage in the present practice is the absence of numerical rating.

The principal fills out a rating sheet which contains three main headings: attitude, efficiency and personality. A place is provided at the bottom of the sheet for the teacher's signature. If he signs the sheet, his signature is interpreted to mean that he accepts the rating. He is not compelled to sign it. From this rating sheet is determined the salary increment, if any, to which the teacher is entitled.

Because of a low maximum salary on the regular schedule the small increments provided as merit raises do not, in the opinion of many Alton teachers, make the merit feature particularly significant.

On the positive side many teachers believe that the Alton merit plan has helped improve the quality of teaching. The chief criticism relates to the general criticism of all rating scales—inability of the rater to do the rating objectively.

Following the presentations just summarized, representatives from Phoenix, Ariz., and Evanston, Ill., gave accounts of actions taken by teachers in opposition to merit rating in their school systems. Phoenix abandoned its merit rating plan in 1951 largely because it seemed to lower teacher morale. Under the Phoenix plan the decision as to who should reach the supermaximum (five steps above the regular maximum) was made by the superintendent. The few selected were regarded by their colleagues as "fair-haired boys."

In Evanston, teachers studied the merit features of a salary schedule which provided for acceleration on the schedule and bonus grants. They concluded that these features were undesirable and should be dropped. They reasoned that in a school system like Evanston's several assumptions should be made, namely, that teachers employed are well trained, are placed satisfactorily, receive adequate supervision, and are evaluated. If these assumptions are valid, then merit rating is unnecessary.

The participants were then assigned to discussion groups to consider the question: "What are our beliefs and convictions about merit rating?" Each of the groups worked on a definition of "merit rating." Preliminary reports of group discussions led to a general discussion of proposed definitions of "merit rating." The participants in this general session could not agree on a definition. In the group discussions which followed points of disagreement were considered. Before the final session began the main difficulties had been ironed out.

This is the definition of "merit rating" worked out by the study conference:

"On the basis of past and present practices, we suggest to the Department of Classroom Teachers that 'merit rating' be defined by the department as a subjective, qualified judgment of a teacher made administratively by one or more persons, with or without the knowledge of the person rated, for purposes of determining salary."

Final reports from each of the four groups summarized the advantages and disadvantages of merit rating. Each of the groups distinguished between rating and evaluation, recognizing that the latter term related to the improvement of the teaching-learning process. Attention was directed to the distinction between the two terms made in the pamphlet "Better Than Rating": "Evaluation is a broad term covering

all forms of judgments, even rating. Teacher rating is thus one, though not necessarily the best form or type of evaluation."*

The consensus in each of the groups was in opposition to merit rating as defined by the study conference. Long lists of arguments against it were compiled. Here is a partial list of disadvantages reported by one group:

There are no accurate means at present of measuring pupil growth or teaching effectiveness.

Philosophies vary greatly concerning the qualities of good teaching and methods.

Merit rating tends to lower morale, since it forces teachers to compete with one another for salary increments. Beginning teachers' salaries are low in comparison with starting salaries in other professions. Therefore, raises must be often and large enough to elevate teachers to professional status.

Merit rating tends to force conformity to preconceived ideas of some person or group of persons, which tends to repress initiative and individuality necessary for creative teaching.

Merit rating discourages experimen-

Merit rating forces cooperation rather than growth in democratic procedures in problem solving.

Pupil differences are so great that quality of instruction cannot be fairly evaluated.

Merit rating is usually an administrative technic of controlling educational costs of instruction rather than the promotion of better teaching.

Social services to human beings consist of many intangibles which contribute greatly to the education of the whole child. These cannot be measured. Merit rating is teacher centered rather than pupil centered. There are no known best methods of teaching.

Merit rating tends to reduce cooperation between teachers and between teachers and administrators.

Merit rating conditions teacher attitudes, which can be detrimental to pupils.

Merit rating reduces professionalism in teaching and tends to reduce teachers to the rôle of laborers rather than competent professional employes. It forces supervisors to become inspectors rather than professional leaders in improvement of instruction. Merit rating in education is not compatible with merit rating in industry since in education the raw materials vary greatly in all aspects and cannot be controlled in the same manner as in manufacturing a product. Emotions enter into teaching and the teaching process. These cannot always be controlled or measured.

MINORITY REPORT FILED

A few members in one group filed a minority report. They cited the following as advantages they have observed in merit-rating programs now in operation. Merit rating:

Brings about a closer relationship between teacher and administrator.

Encourages cooperation and sympathetic understanding among coworkers in a school.

Encourages self-evaluation for professional growth.

Creates a greater appreciation of the teacher's total service through the higher salary paid.

Promotes competency in teaching. Attracts and holds competent classroom teachers.

"The good teacher will not fear merit rating," concluded the reporter.

Despite the general opposition to merit rating, most of the participants thought that they should come forth with a positive approach concerning some things that could be done. A typical example of this attitude appears in the summary given by one of the group reporters. Here is an excerpt from her report:

"We made a list of what we thought classroom teachers could do:

"1. Support with every nerve and sinew good salary schedules. We agreed that a good salary schedule should be cooperatively arrived at and include training, experience and some sort of job classification, and emphasize professional growth, travel, community service and special professional experience. You can find many fine salary schedules

"2. The second thing we should do, we thought, was strive for constant self-examination and group evaluation.

"3. The third thing we should do is to work for larger teaching staffs and improved technics in supervision. One of the weakest spots in the whole teaching-learning process is the lack of adequate supervision during the probationary period.

"4. We need to encourage and respect wise and able leadership. A great deal has been said about the bad ad-

ministrator, but not enough credit has been given to the good one.

"5. We felt that, even if merit rating or any other idea which is presented to the profession should strike us as wrong, as unfair, or as unworkable, the classroom teacher should be ever on the alert, always with open mind, to find any new means of professional growth.

"If we as classroom teachers each did all these to the best of his or her ability, individually and as a group, then the things that are wrong with merit rating might be corrected. By this process we would arrive at standards that would create a good environment for cooperation and that would promote confidence and trust among the entire staff. This process would encourage an atmosphere of self-evaluation, creativeness, initiative and originality. It would center education on the child and not on the teacher. It would stress the entire school system rather than any particular teacher. It would separate evaluation from merit rating and thus make possible greater experimentation in the field of teacher competence. It would gain public support for professional salaries for all teachers rather than support for only a few. Finally, it would aid in recruiting desirable new teachers.'

CONFERENCE OPPOSED MERIT RATING

In the final general session the participants went on record as opposing merit rating as it had been defined. They affirmed their support of evaluation, which was defined as "that continuous process by which individuals or groups cooperatively make choices and come to decisions in planning for the improvement of instruction." They passed a motion that the rôle of the N.E.A. Department of Classroom Teachers should be:

1. To make available the conclusions of this conference to the class-room teachers on state and local levels.

2. To take the lead in establishing a public relations program in support of the department's views on merit rating.

3. To continue its cooperation with other departments of the N.E.A. in interpreting the department's philosophy on merit rating as herein defined.

In passing these motions the participants recognized that they could not speak for the N.E.A. Department of Classroom Teachers. The motions were, in effect, recommendations to the department.

^{*}Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, National Education Association: Better Than Rating, Washington, D.C., 1950, p. 9.

Chalk Dust FREDERICK JAMES MOFFITT



Mr. Chalk Dust contemplates the materials of superintendolgy. He is preparing the hamburgers for his public.

CHEERFUL EARFUL

The Ego of the Boss was low
As troubles mounted by the bour.
The morning mail was full of woe;
The faculty was sour.
The football team broke sundry bones;
The lab exploded with a bang,
And all the spiteful telephones
Just rang.

Up spoke his ld, "Life isn't play.
Some days you can't expect to win;
Today is just another day,
So, brother, smile and jut your chin.
What matter if the job is tough?
Cheer up, it might be worse because—"

So up he cheered and, sure enough, It was.

FACTS FROM SUGARTOWN

THE ACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES sur ounding my sudden so-called "resignation" from the superintendency of the Sugartown schools have been so exaggerated and publicly misunderstood that, in deference to my professional standing, which is pretty much nonexistent at the moment, I am impelled to set forth the true facts of the case.

A few weeks ago my daughter Sue happened to leave one of the more

pulchritudinous movie magazines in the bathroom, and my eye was caught by an article which said that Rin-Tin-Tin, evidently some famous character that performs for the movies, had demanded a raise of \$1000 a week in view of the cost of high living. Hoping that my board of education would take the hint, in a more modest way, of course, I took the magazine to the monthly board meeting. The board members spent a great deal of time in viewing the various magazine illustrations, not including that article on Rin-Tin-Tin.

At the following meeting, the board came back with a rebuttal in the shape of a most disturbing article in the New York Times. The Times reported that Prof. Edred J. Corner of Cambridge University had found a way to replace men with monkeys. The monkeys were used to explore the treetops of Malaya and did a better and more economical job of collecting rare specimens than had the men they replaced. According to the Times, they completely revised the old method of felling the trees.

After this article was read, one word led to another as is customary with the Sugartown Board of Education, and several personalities, including mine, were exchanged. As a consequence, I "resigned," as we educators

say so euphemistically when we are suddenly terminated due to conditions beyond our control.

In thus candidly setting forth the true facts of my termination, I hope my successor does not take umbrage at any implications which he may find therein. I warn him, however, to watch out for any further monkey business.

IMAGINARY INTERVIEWS

The Clown

New York (AP)—A former high school teacher with two college degrees has signed a contract as a professional clown. William Britten signed up in routine fashion with a red rose stem for a pen and the screaming of six chimpanzees for musical accompaniment. Britten expects to get \$7500 for the season. He started in the amateur clown field in 1950 while teaching English.

Q. Mr. B., how did you happen to take up clowning as a profession?

A. After attending so many dreary meetings of taxpayers associations, P.T.A.'s, and citizens' committees, I felt a desperate urge to bring more joy into the world.

Q. Are all teachers meetings joyless?

A. Oh, I didn't mean the teachers meetings. I have found many of my funniest ideas from the way in which faculty meetings are conducted.

Q. Was it the salary for clowns that attracted you?

A. It helped. It was more than I could expect for teaching, of course, but the clown profession has other advantages. There is no minimum salary law, and there has never been any clown study of merit rating. The salaries are not dependent upon legislators or school boards, either.

Q. How does a clown's job compare with that of school superintendent?

A. There are many similarities. In both jobs you get to see a lot of the country and play to many new audiences. A clown gets his railroad fare, but a school superintendent pays his own moving bills.

Q. Then a clown is better off?

A. Well, he can wear patched clothes without arousing community comment.

Q. Is there a shortage of clowns as well as teachers?

A. Judging from some of the folks who used to heckle me, I think the clown supply is inexhaustible. Sorry, I have to leave now for cafeteria duty—I mean, the monkeys have to be fed.

A SCHOOL board that finds it necessary to issue bonds to obtain funds to pay for school building construction generally finds itself face to face with a number of legal problems. While a number of these grow out of election procedures, which will not be considered here, many others have their origins in the routine of school board procedures. Some of these problems will be considered.

First, it should be recognized that courts are in agreement in holding that the authority to issue bonds is not inherent in the school district. The power to issue bonds, so it is generally held, must be found to have been specifically granted in the statutes.1 (In a few older cases the courts did recognize the implied authority of school boards to borrow money, but the recent trend appears to be in the opposite direction.) Moreover, it has also been held that the express authority to borrow money does not carry with it the implied authority to issue bonds.2 In commenting on the authority of a school district to issue bonds. a federal court has made the following comment: "In every case where a doubt arises as to the right of a municipal corporation to execute negotiable securities the doubt should be resolved against the existence of any such right."3

If the bonds it issues are to be legal, not only must the school board find its authority to issue them in the statute, but it must follow the statutory procedure, if any is outlined, to the letter.4 For example, in North Dakota, where the statute provided that bonds "may be made payable in not less than 10 nor more than 20 years," it has been held that bonds made payable 11 days before the 10 year period had expired were not legal.5 If, however, the statute is not specific with respect to procedures to be followed, courts are in agreement that boards will be granted broad discretionary authority.

It is in this field, where specific statutes governing the situation are

Legal Limitations on Issuing School Bonds

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nonexistent, that much litigation is likely to arise. For example, one question that has been raised relates to the timing of the election to approve the bond issue with respect to the other activities incident to the construction of a building. In this connection a Pennsylvania court has held that, in the absence of a statute controlling the matter, a school board may call such an election previous to the time it authorizes the purchase of the site or enters into a contract for the construction of the building.6 In Mississippi, it has even been held that the adoption of the plans for the building is not a condition precedent to the issuance of bonds.7

TIME OF MARKETING BONDS

Once the voters have approved the bond issue, the question then arises as to whether the bonds must be marketed immediately or whether this may be deferred and, if so, for how long. Frequently the authority to issue bonds is granted previous to the time the money is actually needed. Sometimes boards prefer to wait until the money is needed before actually issuing the bonds, thus avoiding the payment of interest on the money not yet needed.

At other times, boards may wish to sell the bonds immediately to take advantage of a satisfactory interest rate. When such is the case, they generally desire to invest the proceeds in some short-term sound security such as government bonds. If this is the situation, the board must first look to the statute to see if this is permissible. (Some states, it is understood, have

statutes forbidding this.) If there is no statute forbidding it from so doing, a school board probably would have this authority. No court decisions directly in point were found, but, because this would appear to be a discretionary act and because courts are loath to interfere with a school board in the exercise of its discretionary authority, I think that few, if any, courts would declare such action on the part of a school board illegal.

Where the board decides to wait until the money is needed before marketing its bonds, there seems to be no legal reason it cannot do so, again in the absence of a statute governing the matter. In this connection it has been held that a board may wait as long as two, three or four years, before exercising the authority granted it to issue bonds.8 In a Kentucky case, in holding that a lapse of three years between the granting of the authority to issue bonds and the exercise of that authority did not indicate an abandonment of the authority, the court said:

"Very often it is to the interest of the board of education or other municipality, as well as the taxpayers, to postpone the sale of bonds, and this may be done provided the board of education is able to provide for efficient carrying on of the schools."9

School District, 56 F. 197; Coffin v. Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, 57 F. 137; Merrill v. Monticello, 138 U.S. 673; Folsom v. School Directors, 91 Ill. 402; Hewitt v. Board of Education, 94 Ill. 528; School District v. Robb, 93 P. (2d) 905, 150 Kan. 402.

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²Ashuelot National Bank of Keene v. School District, 56 F. 197.

⁶Dupont v. Mills, 196 A. 168 (Del.).
⁶People's Bank v. School District, 57
N.W. 787, 3 N.D. 496.

⁶Hoover v. Lake Township School District, 6 Pa. Dist. & Co. 193.

⁷In re Savannah Special Consolidated

In re Savannah Special Consolidated School District of Pearl River County, 44 So. (2d) 545, 208 Miss. 460. *City of Dayton v. Board of Education, 257 S.W. (2d) 1021, 201 Ky. 566; Hager v. Board of Education of City of Ashland, 72 S.W. (2d) 475, 254 Ky. 791; Runyon v. Simpson, 110 S.W. (2d) 440, 270 Ky. 645; Young v. Fiscal Court, 227 S.W. 1009, 190 Ky. 609; State ex rel. Sullivan v. School District, 50 P. (2d) 262, 100 Mont. 468; Gregory v. Board of Commissioners of Randolph County, 78 S.E. 301, 162 N.C. 479; Covington v. McInnis, 142 S.E. 650, 144 S.C. 391; Miller v. School District, 39 P. 879, 5 Wyo. 217.

⁸City of Dayton v, Board of Education, 257 S.W. 1021, 201 Ky. 566.

In one Kentucky case it was held that even an eight-year lapse of tim: was not so unreasonable as to invalidate the issuance of bonds.10 In this case the issuance of \$500,000 worth of school improvement bonds was authorized at an election in 1929. The board immediately issued bonds in the amount of \$100,000. In 1934, following litigation,11 the board was permitted to issue bonds in the amount of \$103,000. In 1937, the board again adopted a resolution requesting the board of commissioners of the city to issue \$62,500 worth of bonds. The board refused, on the ground that the eight-year lapse of time between the date when the authority was granted and the date when the bonds were to be issued was so long as to make their issuance illegal. The court held otherwise, however.

How long a lapse of time would justify a holding to the effect that the authority to issue bonds had expired is not known. Courts will examine each case carefully and render their decisions in light of the peculiar circumstances in each.

In this connection it is also interesting to know that in Montana, where the statute required that bonds be issued within a period of 60 days following the date of their approval, the court has held the law to be directory only.12 In this case a board was delayed in the issuance of bonds by litigation. When the litigation was over and the board attempted to issue the bonds, more than 60 days had elapsed since the date of their approval, yet the court declared the bonds legal.

NOT INVALIDATED

It should also be noted that the issuance of bonds in an amount smaller than that approved by the voters at an election does not invalidate those issued, and neither does it, generally, prevent the issuance of additional bonds later, if the total amount issued is not the amount authorized.13

Another problem frequently faced is the legal effect of an election that authorizes the issuance of bonds in an amount in excess of the constitutional or statutory indebtedness limitation. Courts generally agree that

such an election is not necessarily void-that it permits the issuance of bonds only within that limitation and not in excess thereof.14 They reason that indebtedness occurs only when the bonds are issued, approved and delivered and not at the time they are voted15-that the question of whether the indebtedness created by the issuance of bonds is in excess of the legal debt limit can await determination until such time as the issuance of the bonds becomes imminent. While this is the general rule, courts will attempt to consider each case on its merits.

REASON AND GOOD FAITH

In this connection, a New York case is in point.16 In this case the issue was "whether the indebtedness of a school district must be determined ... at the date of a district meeting at which a proposition is submitted authorizing a board of education to expend money for the construction of a school, or whether the amount of such indebtedness may await determination . . . at the time the bonds are to be actually issued." The court

"It was reasonable for the . . . board of education to believe when it passed the bond resolution that the equalized assessed valuation of real property in the district would be sufficient to sustain the bond issue when the time for issuance came. The time lag was and is not unreasonable under the circumstances. We do not commit ourselves however to the theory that a board of education may, in the ordinary course of events, pocket or pigeonhole a majority vote on a proposed bond issue that clearly exceeds the district debt limit and hold the same for years on a mere speculation that some time in the uncertain future

the equalized assessed valuation of the district will be sufficient to support the issue. A rule of reason that demands good faith must be applied, and it would be unwise, if not impossible, to tailor a rule otherwise that would fit every conceivable set of circumstances'

In a Missouri case the court appears to have followed a different rule. There it was held that where the bonds were in excess of the legal indebtedness limit at the time their issuance was approved, the bonds were illegal even if, at the time of issuance, they were not in excess of that limit because of a change in the assessed valuation.17

Then, too, in Pennsylvania, in a case involving the authority of the city of Philadelphia to issue municipal bonds, it was held that, where the bonds were within the indebtedness limit at the time they were voted, they were legal, although they were issued at a later date, when the assessed values had dropped to such an extent that the indebtedness covered by the bonds exceeded the legal limit.18 The court reasoned that it was "the assessed valuation of the property at the time of the authorization of the loan which is to be observed, and compliance with the debt limitation thus established being shown, the legal status of the loan is forever fixed." Whether this is an exception to, or an amplification of, the general rule previously stated is not clear. How the Pennsylvania court would have ruled had the conditions been reversed-i.e. had the amount approved exceeded the debt limit at the time of the election but, because of increased assessed valuations, had come within that limit at the time the bonds were issued-cannot be known.

LIMIT ON LEGISLATURE

With reference to the indebtedness limit, one thing is clear. The legislature may enact a statute setting that limit below the limit provided for in the constitution, 19 but it cannot pass a statute authorizing a school district to issue bonds in such an amount as would create indebtedness in excess of the constitutional limit.20

¹³State v. Boring, 164 So. 859 (Fla.); ¹³State v. Boring, 164 So. 859 (Fla.); State v. Special Tax School District No. 14 of Dade County, 161 So. 410, 119 Fla. 352; Rogers v. Carlisle Graded School, 13 S.W. 587, 11 Ky. L. 934; Runyon v. Simp-son, 110 S.W. (2d) 440, 270 Ky. 645; Surratt v. Board of Education of City of Ashland, 231 S.W. (2d) 88, 313 Ky. 343; Young v. Fiscal Court, 227 S.W. 1009, 190 Ky. 609; State v. Gallatin County High School District, 58 P. (2d) 264, 102 Mont. 356.

^{356.}McKinney v. Cudiz Graded Common School District, 137 S.W. 839, 144 Ky.

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16</sup> Hebel v. School District R-1, 279 P. "Hebel v. School District R-1, 2/9 P. (2d) 673 (Colo.); Gray v. Joint Rural High School District, 286 P. (2d) 147, 178 Kan. 387; Hill v. Board of Education, 143 N.Y.S. (2d) 415; Mistler v. Eye, 231 P. 1045, 107 Okla. 289.

"Hill v. Board of Education, 143 N.Y.S. (2d) 415;

¹⁰Runyon v. Simpson, 110 S.W. (2d) 440, 270 Ky. 645. ¹¹Hager v. Board of Education of City of Ashland, 72 S.W. (2d) 475, 254 Ky.

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12</sup>State ex rel. Sullivan v. School District, 50 P. (2d) 252, 100 Mont. 468.

¹⁷State ex rel. Consolidated District C-4 of Caldwell County v. Holmes, 245 S.W. (2d) 882 (Mo.).

¹⁸Duane v. City of Philadelphia, 135 A. (2d) 401, 322 Pa. 33.

¹⁹Clere ν. Ashland Board of Education, 277 S.W. 335, 211 Ky. 130.

²⁰Conner v. Charleston High School District, 4 S.E. (2d) 431, 191 S.C. 412.

Grouping Can Be Flexible Within the Classroom

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S EVERAL considerations prompted the Gulf School Research Development Association to restudy the question of classroom grouping in the Houston area of Texas. The findings of earlier research had led to the conclusion that simply separating children into classes according to intelligence test quotients has not resulted in increased achievement for individual children. The slow learners still get low scores on achievement tests while the rapid learners do not score higher as a result of ability grouping, although teachers claim certain social advantages from ability grouping. The teachers assigned rapid learner classes are the most satisfied, since these groups are inclined to show superior results in any case.

A study of professional literature disclosed 24 varieties of grouping practices. Promotion and grade levels represent traditional forms of grouping. The current trend is to maintain a fairly tight correlation of age to grade on the age-grade chart and to look askance on any marked deviation therefrom. The majority of school systems favor annual promotions. Departmentalization usually starts at about the seventh grade level, but promotion by subject areas seldom takes place before the tenth grade. Within this framework it is conceivable that some sort of homogeneous grouping of classes at any age-grade level could be organized, provided there are enough pupils to sectionalize, either for all subjects or for particular subjects.

The complications arising from such an attempt at homogeneous grouping are commonly understood: As soon as children are sectioned on the basis of one characteristic or trait they are found to be entirely heterogeneous in any number of other factors; the range of scores in such classes on the measurable criterion trait violates normal dis-

tribution, and, while the logical sequel should be to gear the instructional materials to the class level on the criterion trait, in practice a complexity of learning factors makes this almost impracticable.

Grouping Within Classes. Consequently, no matter what the administration may have done about assigning children to classes initially, almost all teachers at all levels are found to engage in various types of grouping within their classes. This makes it possible to identify several types of within-class groupings: ability level grouping, talent grouping, differentiated curriculum grouping, tutorial grouping, opportunity grouping, and competitive grouping; or common interest grouping, motivation grouping, committee grouping, and discussion grouping; also social grouping, teamwork grouping, grouping for leadership, grouping for recognition, and socio-dynamics grouping. These informal groupings are frequently organized and reorganized; they arise from necessary purposes and fade when their usefulness passes.

Without going in great detail into administrative problems that evolve from the exigencies of grouping, such as the necessity of assigning transferred pupils, keeping records, giving tests, reporting marks to parents, providing suitably qualified teachers, scheduling and others, we must examine closely what relationship exists between grouping and the learning process and its purposes.

Obviously there are learning experiences which a child can have only in group situations, and these are universally held to be essential to building character, teamwork, leadership, effective and correct human relations, and participation in complex and purposeful group activities. Knowledge and

skill are not enough; it takes wide and diverse experience in the application of knowledge to produce the mature and educated individual. Both purpose and value derive from social ends.

The experienced teacher is especially sensitive to a great power that rests in what is termed "motivation." When Thorndike demonstrated the laws of learning he made it clear that these laws are of unequal force. The drive to learn is of supreme importance, and the teacher knows that of several available ways of motivation the most effective usually is "group purposing." So the teacher is vitally concerned on this score with his grouping arrangements, whether it be a group of the whole or groups within the whole. Incidentally, the parents are also concerned, because they sense that the ideals of their children are influenced by the company they keep. Thus a teacher recognizes that application of knowledge is a function of grouping.

Present Trends in Professional Thinking. By whatever plan of grouping then, whether homogeneous or heterogeneous, structural or operational, formal or informal, there are these present trends of professional thought that are worthy of note:

1. Lest the gifted child be neglected, he should face the challenge of competition with his intellectual peers, and, despite the fact that childishly trying this or that only to cast it aside may be quite essential to growing up to adult individualism, he should have the opportunity at least of advancing consistently deeper into the field of his special talent.

2. All children require the growth experience of playing various rôles in many kinds of group situations.

3. In group action the teacher can impart the principles of Americanism and democratic living and provide

TWENTY-FOUR TYPES OF CLASSROOM GROUPING PRACTICES:

1. ABILITY GROUPING WITHIN A CLASS

For the development of a certain skill, the classroom is divided into two or more groups on the basis of inadequacies in that skill. There is no group naming and the class time is given to individual work, small group work, and class discussion. Ability grouping in reading differs slightly in that the groups use basal readers of different levels, and each group is dealt with as a class within itself.

2. ADEQUATE GROUP RECORDS

Records are kept of the progress and growth of each child. Records are of these types: (1) Official records, which are objective. (2) Individual records, which are more personal. (3) Current anecdotal records. (4) Progress charts, which are kept by teacher and children together. These serve as guides to future grouping.

3. COMMITTEES FOR STUDY PROJECTS

For acquisition of knowledge in a lifelike situation, the class outlines the area to be studied, setting up topics to be investigated, projects to be done, and problems to be solved. The class then divides into groups on the basis of desire to engage in a phase of the work or a project. Each individual is responsible to the group, and each group fulfills a particular function for the class, thus introducing social responsibility and teamwork.

4. GROUPING FOR LEADERSHIP

In cooperative group planning, leadership is not considered the exclusive privilege of the teacher or of a few gifted children. The child acts as leader who can contribute most to the group as a whole in a particular project.

5. GROUPING FOR BASIC CITIZENSHIP

Autocratic classroom control tends to produce authoritarian personalities; therefore the teacher's aim is a democratic group situation where all problems of policy are discussed with the children, conditioned to their maturity. The leader (teacher) as fully as possible acts as a regular member of the group. Decisions on what to do, when to do it, and how to do it are made cooperatively.

6. INTEREST GROUPING

For the development and extension of interests, children select their own groups by joining the one working on the project that interests them most or contains persons with whom they want to work. The emotional climate of a classroom has been found to be an important factor in educational behavior.

7. GROUPING GIFTED CHILDREN

(The gifted child is defined as the child with a high level of general intelligence—generally above 120 I.Q.—as measured by traditional tests.) Gifted students work together on special projects but are not permanently separated from the class. They are able to do more intensive research and much wider reading and therefore make valuable contributions to the class goal.

8. INDIVIDUAL SUCCESS THROUGH GROUPING

In order that every child in the class may attain success through grouping, the democratic teacher makes extensive provision for group activities in which each individual contributes his part and can succeed. The teacher helps students define a problem and then sees that each one works on that part of the problem which he can handle most successfully. To do this a teacher must know his students' abilities, handicaps, strengths and weaknesses, both social and academic.

9. GROUPING FOR MOTIVATION

Under the guidance of the teacher, the children set up a common goal and all activities lead to the achievement of that goal. Since the children see the purpose of what they are doing, motivation is strong, and they are anxious to acquire understandings and skills necessary to achieve their goal.

10. REGROUPING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Many times during the year it is necessary to rethink the grouping of children, which is done not so much on the basis of standard scholastic achievement but on the basis of a child's ability to live and work successfully with the group.

11. GROUPING FOR SOCIAL GUIDANCE

For guidance in social relationships, studying a child's status and participation as a group member by use of sociogram and anecdotal records has been found helpful. For the older child, self-evaluation of action with a group, such as may be recorded by wire, tape and disk recording machines, plus good guidance instruction, has brought about more desirable social behavior.

12. SOCIOMETRIC GROUPING

To fulfill social needs and discover children who are unhappy, rejected and ignored, a teacher uses a sociogram. A follow-up is made every two or three months to detect changes that have come about. The sociogram often reveals group structure, subgroups, leaders and isolates.

ever so many opportunities for children to plan, organize, administer, mature in responsibility, and find efficient ways to coordinate their activity.

4. Grouping is at its very best when it bears directly toward a timely teaching goal, and for many teaching situations group learning is more efficient.

5. The mixture of abilities, skills, backgrounds, traits and interests of an ordinary class is a great challenge to the teacher. With a mixed class the teacher

cannot rely on last year's lesson plans or expect stereotyped responses; he must design many strategies to bring about natural evolution of group learning and have complete satisfaction in the results.

Score Card Developed. A study commission of the research association on provisions for individual differences and basis for grouping, under direction of Evelyn Thompson, professor of education at the University of Houston, sought (1) to clarify the educational basis for grouping and

(2) to determine the characteristics in pupils to be considered as a basis for grouping. The outcome of their study was a "Grouping Practices Score Card" which has been tested and proved a sensitive criterion instrument.

The instrument (reproduced here) is experimental and its results have not yet been correlated with class size, grade levels, teacher's experience, curriculum policies, time allotments, or school policies, but it is thought that an item analysis of the score card

AN EXPERIMENTAL SCORE CARD DEVELOPED FOR TEACHERS' USE

13. GROUPING FOR SPECIAL TALENTS

(Talent here is taken to mean special abilities which are not necessarily associated with a high intelligence quotient.) Children with special talents are made to feel they belong to a group and that they have something to contribute if they do art work, music work, dramatization, creative writing, handicraft, administrative planning, or whatever the field of their special talent. Their product is brought before the class for enjoyment and enrichment.

14. TEAM GROUPING

Two children of similar ability in a particular field work as a team and check each other's work, either written or oral. This is not a substitute for direct teacher observance, which is vital if a teacher is to know the causes of the weaknesses and differences of the children.

15. REPORTING TO PARENTS

The elementary school teacher, after careful preparation is made, sits down with parents of each child once or twice a year (oftener if the need arises) and discusses his achievements and needs, growth and status, using a record folder. The conference type of reporting is a mutual exchange of information between teacher and parent, and enables a teacher to know a child better. In the secondary school, provision is made to bring parent and teacher together by use of "Open House" and "Parents' Night."

16. PROMOTION AS A TYPE OF GROUPING

Since research has proved failure and retardation do not stimulate effort but on the contrary discourage it, a child is not promoted at arbitrary intervals on arbitrary standards. He makes continuous progress, rapid or slow, depending on the whole child. This implies a planned learning situation into which he is promoted.

17. TERMINATION OF GROUPING

Time allotment for group activity depends on the purpose of grouping. It should cease when interest wanes, need is fulfilled, or skill is mastered. Each child daily works with several different groups; they are flexible and temporary.

18. DIFFERENTIATED CURRICULUM IN GROUPING

The subject matter related to a given unit of work will differ for children at various stages of individual development, as will the skills used and the understandings expected, but the work of the class is correlated in the unit. In the secondary schools, however, individual differences are provided for by use of elective classes either in different areas or in a subject.

19. ASSIGNING TRANSFER PUPILS

The transfer pupil without sufficient records is placed in the smallest class of his chronological age available where the teacher and pupils can make him feel welcome and at ease. With this emotional climate established, the teacher observes the pupil and groups him experimentally until she comes to know him. On the basis of objective evidence, he may be reassigned to the class where he will be successful and well adjusted.

20. "BUZZ" GROUPING

"Buzz" groups are short-run groups which encourage full participation of everyone in a classroom. This is particularly suited to high school age students. It is informal and easy to conduct. Membership is determined by numbering off or designating corners of the room; only a few minutes of time is allotted (approximately 20 minutes) unless agenda have been drawn up; a chairman and a reporter, often a volunteer, are chosen quickly and informally. Class opinion or feeling is thus obtained whereas only a few students may express themselves in full class discussion.

21. TUTORIAL GROUPING

A rapid learner is paired off with a slow learner for practice in the skill of a particular field (often arithmetic or spelling in lower grades). It can be done with a rapid learner and several slow learners if the children are mature enough to take responsibility.

22. MEASURING PROGRESS WITHIN GROUPS

In the basic reading (other skills may be substituted) program, the grouping is according to reading abilities. Each group will use reading tests suitable for its level of work or development. Testing is done for the goals of that particular group.

23. DISCUSSION GROUPS

Informal face-to-face grouping, with much conversation, encourages children to be alert, inquiring and able to express themselves effectively.

24. OPPORTUNITY CLASS GROUPS

In larger schools, the administration forms classes for special needs such as arithmetic weaknesses or language handicaps. As these problems are taken care of, the children are placed in other classes where they have an opportunity to be successful. In smaller schools, a special teacher works with children having such problems for about an hour a day until they gain skill and confidence.

could be a useful resource for inservice improvement. When applied in five school systems to 65 individual classroom teachers at several grade levels, it was found that the incidence of grouping practices among teachers ranged from 23 to 3 of the practices, with a median of 16. In other words the median teacher had employed 16 different types of grouping in her classroom during the previous three months. All but four of the 24 grouping practices had been used by more than half the teachers.

When the score card is administered, a separate rating is prepared for each classroom by the teacher or by an interviewer. Full credit is allowed if an equivalent or better practice is recorded in any of the 24 categories for which model grouping practices are described. A cumulative score is obtained for each classroom, and it is possible to take the average of these classroom scores as a school's average score. In the pilot study it was found that the average scores of the schools ranged from an incidence of 20 to 10

practices, with a median school average score of 14.

The philosophy of the instrument is not based on a theory of homogeneous grouping or of heterogeneous grouping but on flexibility in grouping. The intrinsic values of each child experiencing in school each day several different rôles in various types of group work is the essential motif. Thoughtfully studied, the instrument composes for the school a picture of its group processes, showing areas of strength and weakness.

OPINION POLL

How should the public schools celebrate holidays—or should they?

Superintendents disagree on the answer

A nationwide sampling of superintendents' opinions by The Nation's Schools

WHICH holidays does your school celebrate—and how? First of all, superintendents (84 per cent) agreed, it is all right to hold Christmas celebrations in the public schools. But when it comes to non-Christian holidays, only 44 per cent think any kind of in-school observance would be appropriate.

This discrepancy provokes a variety of questions which are reflected in the answers to this month's opinion poll—questions about separation of church and state, a Christian heritage, understanding, freedom and democracy.

At one end of the continuum is the Montana administrator who says flatly, "I feel that America was born on the premise that we are Christians. Anyone who does not wish to be one made a mistake by coming to America." Needless to say, this gentleman finds no place in the schools for observing the significance of non-Christian religious holidays.

With a similar veto, two other respondents explained: "Our country has a Christian heritage. Those who come here should be willing to accept the teaching of Jesus as part of our background." "While we have religious freedom in this country it is a Christian nation, and I see no reason why the schools should participate in other observances. This does not imply that there should be a lack of respect for the faiths of others."

On the other hand, some believed that recognition of any religious holidays has no place in the public schools. "This doesn't mean that I am intolerant of religious observances," explains one schoolman. "But I feel that if special consideration is given to two religious faiths all others should be given equal consideration and if that were done there would be too many interruptions."

A Texan puts it this way: "Christian holidays are for Christians; non-Christian holidays for non-Christians. But for the schools to observe either when both are present is questionable. If both groups are numerous enough in a school system, dismiss school so that each can observe in his own way."

Rather than a black and white answer, the largest number of comments fell into an "it depends" category. These administrators would tailor their solutions to the individual school or community.

Many would provide for minority faith observances only when pupils of that faith were enrolled. In some cases, there would have to be a large percentage of such students to justify this practice. However, a Kansan, sensitive to the minority rôle, would make such allowance where "at least one pupil would be directly concerned." Said a New York superintendent, "I feel a great deal depends upon the community. The school should reflect as much as possible the ideas and feelings of the community—if you can find out what they are!!!"

Some would observe the significance of the holidays of all groups, but "local conditions should determine emphasis that may be permitted," in the words of a southern administrator.

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But the composition of the school or community was not the issue in the minds of others. "I have no acquaintance with the Jewish religion," says a Nebraskan. "I believe a knowledge of the significance of their holidays would lead to a better understanding of the people." And a Minnesota administrator adds: "Let us respect the religion of our neighbors. A little observance of their religions is healthy for our country."

In the same vein, a Californian writes: "An examination of the basic tenets of all the major religions would be in order for special religious holidays in all schools—public, parochial and private." Another administrator adds: "We believe that it should be possible—as do our Jewish friends—to celebrate Christmas, Hannukah, etc.,

OBSERVANCE OF HOLIDAYS

 Public schools traditionally are dismissed for the observance of the Christian holidays of Christmas and Good Friday.
 Should any observance of these religious events be permitted in public schools?

Yes:.....84% No:.....13% No opinion:.....3%

2. Should Jewish pupils or pupils of other non-Christian faiths be excused from public school for observance of their major religious holidays?

Yes:.....85% No:.....13% No opinion:.....2%

- 3. Should public schools observe the significance of religious holidays of Jewish or other non-Christian faiths?

 Yes:.....44% No:.....50% No opinion:.....6%
- 4. Some public school systems have followed the practice of observing state or national holidays in school programs or activities rather than by dismissing school. Please check the holidays you would prefer to see celebrated in school rather than by dismissal:

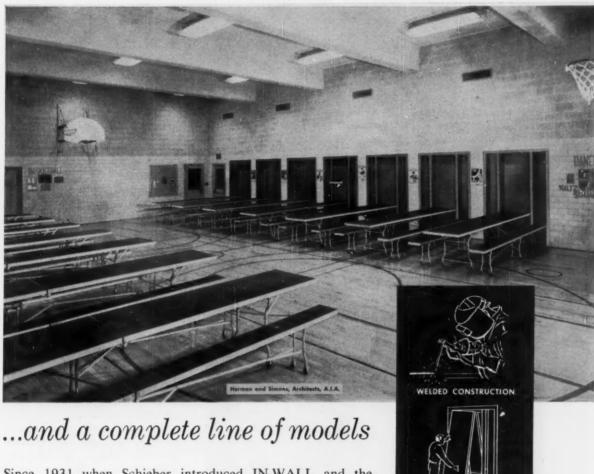
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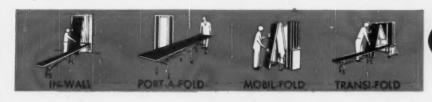


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"Religious freedom must be a tenet of democracy," states an Oregonian. "If religious freedom is to be a tenet of our life we must observe equally the major religious days where practical. This does not include sectarian observances and must be done without religious meddling in the schools or the involvement of religion and state."

And freedom implies responsibility. This is the conviction of a New Englander who asserts: "I feel we are not teaching tolerance if we simply ignore signficant minority groups in our population." He suggests informative assembly programs showing the significance of all holidays. With the same idea, a Michigan man sees the holidays as an excellent opportunity to develop understanding and tolerance through appropriate discussions, instruction and assemblies.

Others underlined the educational responsibility involved. "Schools have a responsibility to teach religions of the world, and their contributions to

our way of life." "Education cannot avoid teaching the backgrounds and significance of man's deepest convictions. As part of their general social education, children should be given information on all the social and religious customs of the various groups represented in the school."

SHOULD STUDY ABOUT HOLIDAYS

Another sizable group believed that religious holidays should be observed from an historical and comparative point of view and that such study should be included in the school curriculum, preferably in social science.

When it comes to excusing non-Christian pupils for the observance of their religious holidays, most administrators (85 per cent) believe this is acceptable practice. The qualifications were few: Some emphasized that this meant *major* holidays only. The days should not exceed two a year, said a Missourian, and an Indiana superintendent suggested that the days absent should not exceed the regular vacation. But a Kansan said: "Would not favor closing school for any holidays."

Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays won the popularity poll for national holidays preferably celebrated in school, with 85 and 86 per cent, respectively. Flag Day (79 per cent), U.N. Day (72 per cent) and Veterans' Day (71 per cent) offered the closest competition.

The percentages indicated that most respondents believed in-school observance was a good thing. These comments bore out the figures: "Feel we have too many holidays. We are cheating the 'kids' when we dismiss school." "The length of our school day and school year remains constant; yet during the past quarter century we have added greatly to our curriculum. Fewer holidays would help us do a better job." One administrator objected to "too much time for Christmas holidays. One or two would suffice."

"Very few Americans give more than a passing thought to the true meaning of our holidays. They are merely a means to break our routine living schedule and to commercialize where possible," says one respondent who favors in-school observance of all holidays except the "big three." And a Californian further explains this position: "We can do a much better job of observing the holidays listed [in Question 4] by special programs at school rather than by dismissing students for a day."





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S TAFFING the organization is the third of the technical problems of the business manager. Last month's article discussed the first two problems: planning and organizing.

The structure itself will not accomplish any work; results depend on the efforts of the people who are assigned to positions within the structure. Hence, staffing becomes a major consideration.

The opportunity to select key personnel on his immediate staff comes only occasionally in the life of the business manager. Usually when he comes on the job, the positions are all filled and the organization is operating. Yet when he does have the chance to appoint an immediate subordinate, he must give careful attention to the

effect of the appointment on his staff as a whole.

First, of course, he must attempt to obtain technical competence. The person appointed must have the necessary skills to carry out his specific duties. More than that, he must be able to fit into the group in such a way that the coordinated program of activities is not disrupted. The empirebuilder or the shirker will create problems that will affect not only the work of his department but also the work of all the other departments with which he necessarily comes in contact. No man is an island in this work; his personality and his attitudes toward his associates are as important as his technical abilities.

Yet how often a business manager will spend months studying the advisability of purchasing a particular piece of office machinery and then hire a department head on the basis of a written application, which may deliberately overstate the applicant's qualifications, and a half-hour interview, which may consist of a discussion of superficialities. While we all pride ourselves on being infallible judges of human nature, perhaps we should depend less upon our subjective judgment and more on objective analysis.

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with fellow workers and supervisors. His characteristics should be carefully analyzed in light of the personalities of the other supervisors with whom he must work. His techniques of supervision should be analyzed in light of the beliefs of the organization's top management.

If the appointee is coming into the organization for the first time, the business manager has the problem of how to introduce him to the staff so that he will be accepted more readily. There will be a tendency on the part of some employes to feel that

they were passed over for promotion, so that their attitude may be one of resentment expressed through active complaint or lack of cooperation.

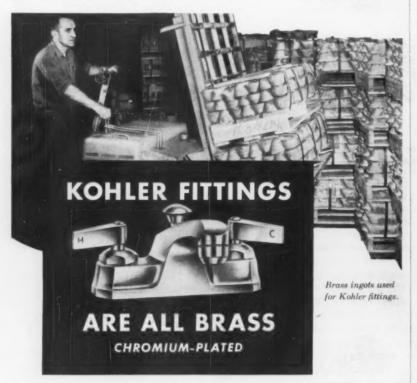
If he is promoted from the ranks, he may need help in adjusting from a performing to a supervising position. The saying is common in industry that an excellent worker sometimes makes a poor foreman. The same is true in school administration, and it is the responsibility of the business manager to assure that the transition is made smoothly and effectively with minimum friction. These problems are par-

ticularly difficult if the appointee is promoted over men who are his seniors either in length of service or in organizational status.

In making staff assignments, the business manager must keep an eye on the future so as to assure, insofar as possible, that there are potential department heads coming up through the ranks. The structure of the organization and the staffing plan should provide a clear picture of anticipated future vacancies at the top levels and a clear path of promotion for those subordinates who are capable of advancement. They should be steered away from dead-end jobs and encouraged to prepare themselves for promotion by increasing their qualifications. Whenever possible, they should be assigned to increasingly difficult lead or supervisory positions to gain the experience in actual administration they will need. Their progress and development should be carefully watched and analyzed, and assistance should be given them in overcoming blind spots or weaknesses, either in technical competence or in personality development. This requires a fine touch and is much easier to talk about than to do

The business manager must also be concerned about the balance of his immediate staff. His department heads preferably should complement one another in ages, interests, experiences and attitudes. The new, young appointee, eager to make a name for himself by showing great initiative and a fine disregard for the traditional ways of doing things, should be counterbalanced by the old hand who has been through the mill and who knows the organization and its background in great detail. New blood must be offset by respect for the organization's traditions of institutional development.

The business manager must recognize that his organization is based on expectations for the future. It will last much longer than his brief span, and his staff should be selected with the long-term results in mind. For example, he may wish he could surround himself with men of approximately his own age and with similar backgrounds. However much this might contribute to group unity during his tenure, it might spell disaster if all the top level supervisors reach retirement age at about the same time. Replacement of the membership of the group in a



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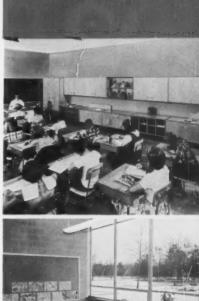
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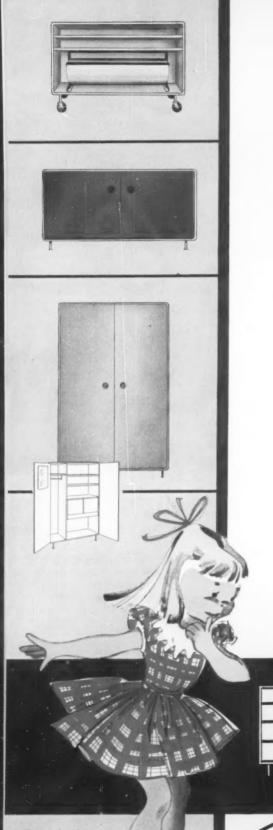








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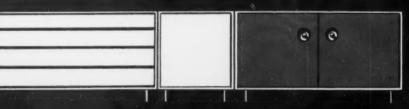
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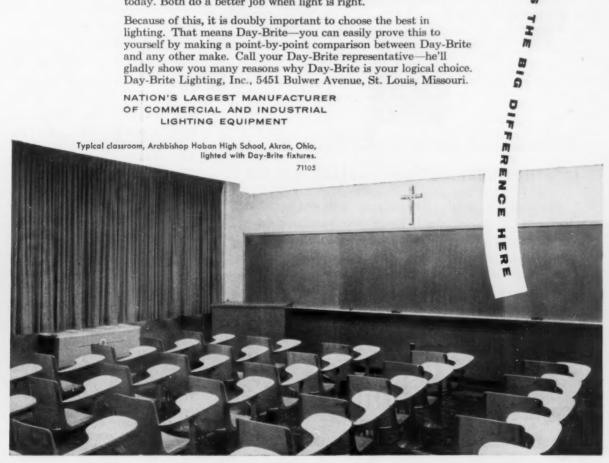


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short time span would seriously disrupt the continuity of the organization. Furthermore, such unity might not provide the diversified interests and attitudes which help to assure that group decisions will be realistic.

THE fourth function is that of directing, which here is used in a broad sense to include coordinating and controlling activities. Perhaps a better description is that of "getting the work done." For the whole purpose of planning, organizing and staff-

ing is to enable the work to go forward so that the goals which have been set can be attained.

In order to get the program of activities under way, each individual should understand clearly where he fits in the organizational structure and what his duties are. This requires a clear delegation of authority to enable him to act without a constant stream of specific instructions. Responsibility for action requires authority which is coequal, and authority must be delegated down the line from each supervisory level to the next until the work-

ers on the job receive their directions of what to do and when to do it.

Delegation of authority may be said to have two effects. One is to enable subordinates to act; the other is to clarify the line through which difficult problems should be referred upward for settlement. This is not a new concept, for Moses "chose able men out of all Israel and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. And they judged the people at all seasons; the hard cases they brought to Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves."

The meaning of authority frequently is misunderstood. Some supervisors, because of a natural repugnance to the idea of being known as a petty tyrant, hesitate to exercise authority, while others get exaggerated opinions of their powers and satisfy their egos by throwing their weight around. A business manager is entrusted, by reason of his position, with certain authority to carry forward the work of his division. On some occasions he necessarily must make up his mind what is to be done and issue instructions to his staff. Depending upon circumstances and his own personality, such instructions may be in the form of "do it or else" directives or in the form of suggestions. It is still his responsibility, however, to see to it that the work gets done, and his superiors are reluctant to accept excuses, however carefully worded, for failure to obtain results.

Much has been written about democratic administration and consultative supervision, and they are undoubtedly effective techniques for establishing work programs and obtaining cooperation. But it is difficult for a committee to exercise leadership or to accept responsibility for errors in judgment or action. If an administrator relies heavily on group decisions in solving operating problems and finds that such decisions are frequently at variance with his own independent judgment, he certainly should be alert to the fact that either the group is making errors or he is. Either way, corrective action is indicated.

It is in the process of directing that the administrator must exercise leadership. The problems of what constitutes a leader and how he gets that way have attracted the attention of psychologists, political scientists, and students of administration. While few specific



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data about leadership are really conclusive, several opinions stand out as being significant: First, leadership is based on the consent and acceptance of the group in which it is exercised. A person cannot be appointed a leader; he must earn the position by his own actions in the situations confronted by the group. Second, leaders can be developed. Occasionally one is born, but usually they are made by their skill in handling administrative problems. This skill, like others, can be learned. Third, there is a variety of techniques available for exercising leadership, and at least a part of the success of a leader depends upon his ability to select and utilize these techniques to optimum advantage.

The results of effective leadership include not only orderly progress in accomplishing the purposes of the organization but also a strengthening of group loyalty and esprit de corps, for it is primarily by this means that each individual comes to identify himself with the group and to accept the group's objectives as the means of achieving his own individual and departmental objectives. The leader must

be able to provide the methods by which group aspirations can be identified and formulated as group goals. At this point, there is a strong interrelation with the planning function.

THE fifth major function of the business manager is that of evaluating. Essentially this is the problem of trying to determine how well the established objectives of the organization are being achieved. It involves reaching judgments about organizational structure, personnel, processes, physical facilities, and the objectives themselves.

If specific objectives have been clearly defined and if a time schedule for attaining them has been established, it is a relatively simple matter to ascertain the degree of accomplishment. But determining the reasons for failure may be extremely complex. Detailed analysis will be needed to reach a decision as to whether the fault lies in unwieldy organization, poor definition of duties and responsibilities, insufficient delegation of authority, lack of technical skill on the part of the staff, inadequate staff, cumbersome pro-

cedures, faulty decisions, unwillingness of some staff members to perform their assigned duties, or a combination of two or more such reasons. Definition of the source of failure will not necessarily indicate the solution. Much hard thinking may be, and usually is, required, along with rigorous self-examination. These are difficult tasks, especially if they lead to a logical conclusion that the fault lies with the business manager himself.

It goes almost without saying that evaluation must be based as much as possible on impersonal, objective factors

In evaluating his staff, the business manager should rely on a broad overview, recognizing that perfect performance is virtually impossible and that each of us has his own peculiarities.

The occasional complaint from teachers, principals or other members of the staff about the work of an individual should be accepted for what it is-a reminder that it is impossible to please all the people all the time and that such a complaint should be investigated in its context. But a constant stream of dissatisfied comments is something else and perhaps indicates the individual's inability to carry on those phases of his work which involve directly the interests of others in the organization. A school system is a group activity, and the reactions of other members of the group to an individual member are one measure of how well he is performing his rôle in the group. Consideration might well be given to a formalized technique for collecting and analyzing those attitudes and reactions on a widespread

Regular reports, both written and oral, also provide the business manager with information about the performance of his organization. Such reports may include statistical analyses, but to be most useful they should provide comparative data showing the relation of present activities to those in the past, a description of problems settled, and a definition of problems yet to be resolved.

The budget and work schedules are also useful in evaluating individual performances. The business manager can use them to determine whether department heads have kept within the prescribed financial limits, whether funds have been spent for the purposes for which they were appropriated, and

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whether work scheduled to be done has all been accomplished.

Evaluation of procedures and processes is more difficult but should be undertaken periodically to determine where the flow of paper work needs further study and corrective action. Are we keeping all the records we need but only those actually needed? Are we requiring too many or too few authorizations or approvals? Can red tape be eliminated? Can emergency problems receive immediate attention? Has slavish devotion to procedure obscured the results which the procedure was intended to expedite?

The problems of evaluating physical plant activities are still more difficult of solution. Are new buildings effective as schoolhouses? Are they economical to maintain and operate? Did we get our money's worth? These are questions to which little attention apparently has been given. Many studies have been made and many suggestions offered to obtain economy in construction, but virtually all of the literature pertains to planning such facilities and almost none to the problem of evaluating the resulting schoolhouse to determine whether the planning concepts have been valid or whether they have been realized.

The same is true of maintenance activities. Little has been published to show comparative costs of doing maintenance work with the system's own staff against having as much as possible done by independent contractors. What criteria can be used to evaluate the work of a maintenance staff?

Similar problems arise in all phases of school business administration, and research leading to the establishment of criteria and the development of techniques of evaluation is badly needed to aid business managers in the effective performance of their duties.

The process of evaluating performance leads inevitably to a reconsideration of objectives and how to attain them, and thus we have gone full circle and have returned to planning.

These five administrative functions—planning, organizing, staffing, directing and evaluating—pose the fundamental technical problems of school business administration. Business management cannot be considered a profession until persons active in the field develop administrative principles and techniques that will lead to a professional approach to their problems. #

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THE growth which has occurred in the field of audio-visual materials and their use in the classroom is almost fantastic. The eight-year trend reported by the N.E.A. Research Division¹ reveals:

1. A 300 per cent increase in the number of filmstrips being used in classrooms.

2. A 200 per cent increase in sound film use.

3. A 100 per cent increase in the use of recordings.

4. Equipment increases: slide and filmstrip projectors, 200 per cent; sound projectors, 40 per cent.

Since these materials are used in classrooms, tens of thousands of rooms in older buildings are currently being

¹Audio-Visual Education in Urban School Districts, Research Bulletin of the N.E.A., equipped with light-control hardware and shades, blinds or draperies which will allow projected audio-visual materials to be viewed adequately. Those who are responsible for planning *new buildings* should be considering how best to provide for the use of projected learning materials in *all* classrooms.

This article reports current planning and practices.

I CAN remember when audio-visual education was 'a new idea!' It is no longer that. It is something which is helping us do the job better in most fields of curriculum activity."

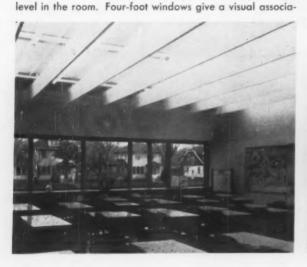
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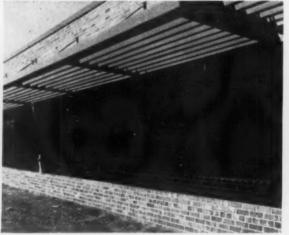
—said at the meeting of teachers who were working out the means of converting their classrooms to the more effective use of projected materials.

The McMorrow School represents a school in transition. Over the last five years, and with considerable investment, 16mm sound projectors, filmstrip projectors, and other equipment have been added for use in the Mc-Morrow classrooms. The schools of St. Louis County had in the meantime developed an unusually fine cooperative film library. Recently, however, teachers in the school had been concerned about the fact that their classrooms were not so arranged as to allow them to carry on needed day-to-day experiences with audio-visual materials. They had experimented with new types of screens. These worked fairly well on cloudy days but were

Left: This classroom in the John Hancock School, St. Paul, illustrates how manufactured light provides adequate light

tion with the outdoors, plus a light-control problem which is easily and economically solved. Right: This exterior view of a school shows the vision-strip and exterior overhang.

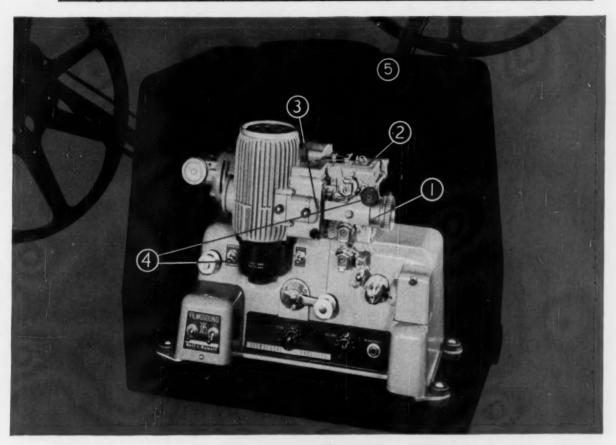




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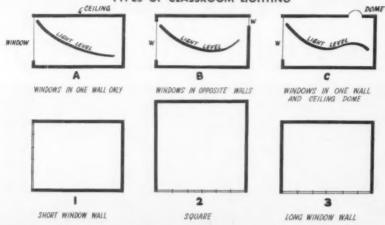
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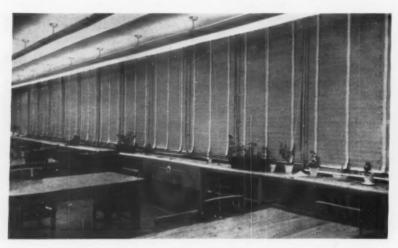
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virtually useless when full sunlight diffused through the sunshades of rooms—particularly those with southern exposures. More investigating revealed that the individual classroom should be equipped to make it possible for light to be reduced to the level of 1 foot candle. At this 1 foot candle level the opaque projector, for example, will produce an image which is sufficiently detailed as to be understandable.

Other teachers reported their recommendations until finally, at the current meeting, this list of requirements for the use of projected materials in the classroom was arrived at:

The teacher must be able to control the light in the room conveniently and surely so as to remove all but 1 foot candle.

A low level of light should remain so as to allow pupil and teacher to see one another's reactions—to "preserve rapport."

Light control equipment must remove ambient light—light which falls on the screen and interferes with the image being studied. Stray light from window shades that flap, from pinholes, or from cracks often destroys the clarity of the image on the screen.

The materials used in shutting out unwanted light should be beautiful as well as serviceable and should be chosen to harmonize with the interior decor of the classroom.

The hardware and installation should be as trouble-free as possible and durable so as to eliminate needless maintenance expense.

Light-control materials should be fireproof.

As the meeting continued, various commercial representatives were invited to display room-darkening hardware, drapery materials, roller shade fabrics, and venetian and interlocking types of wood and metal blinds.

As the committee continued its search, it discovered that today light-control materials have been designed for almost every type of window as follows:

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As Mr. Schmitthausler and his teacher committee continue their study they can select from among the light-control plans and installations being currently offered by at least 15 American manufacturers of this equipment. All are successful in converting existing classrooms for the effective use of projected materials in the course of day-to-day work.

THOSE who are responsible for buildings now being planned or under construction have the advantage of building room light-control equipment into these plans. If it may be assumed that the classroom is to be the center of audio-visual instruction for the obvious reason that it is in the classroom that all the work-study activities go on, then suitable arrangements for "study" lighting as well as for audio-visual light control may become a part of initial schoolhouse planning.²

The superintendent, architect and audio-visual director have traditionally decided upon one of three classroom lighting types. These need to be examined!

The large window-wall classroom provides the standard 30 foot candles along inside wall areas; however, two to three times this amount of light may flood the window-wall side.

The "cross-light" classroom also provides the 30 foot candle standard near the center of the room, but more than this near both window walls.

The window wall and "dome" classroom similarly yield varying natural light levels.

Similarly, the superintendent, archi-

"Many architects recommend individual classroom light control as an effective provision for audio-visual materials use and as a further economy; it seems indefensible to spend \$25,000 on a special audio-visual room when this same space could be used as an additional classroom. This same amount would more than cover individual room-darkening costs plus the cost of purchasing sound projectors, filmstrip projectors, opaque projectors, and other equipment for the entire building.

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tect and audio-visual director may decide upon one of three rather standard room shapes.

A fourth and new kind of classroom structure and shape should be examined and investigated by those who wish to provide for the classroom use of audio-visual learning experiences. Natural lighting is seldom adequate to provide uniform lighting for study purposes but is very necessary in that it allows the student to identify himself with the out-of-doors. Since it is seldom possible to illuminate a classroom uniformly with natural light,

some means of artificial light must be provided; hence a new kind of classroom which will be referred to henceforth as the vision-strip audio-visual classroom seems to be a possible answer.

The vision-strip audio-visual classroom holds the promise of satisfying many of the demands for economy and instructional efficiency and pupil-teacher comfort which represent needs of contemporary school planning. This classroom³ holds many advantages:

- 1. It costs less to construct.
- 2. It costs less to maintain.

3. It provides efficient classroom conditions for audio-visual teaching.

4. It permits low-cost room light

The vision-strip classroom has been built in the Midwest since 1950. Such classrooms may be seen in the Minneapolis, Minnesota and Wisconsin areas. One short wall is the window wall: the other short wall faces the corridor. Across the entire external short wall is a window of clear glass, limited to a height of 4 feet to accomplish good visual association with the out-of-doors. but natural lighting is not depended upon for work-study illumination. Planners of such a room assume that external lighting sources cannot adequately illuminate a classroom but that manufactured light should be on all during the working classroom day.

The vision-strip, short wall-window classroom is economically built, low in maintainance cost, and guarantees uniform 30 foot candle light levels through manufactured light. At the same time it permits efficient and low-cost room light control as well as uniform mechanical ventilation.

The vision-strip classroom provides larger wall areas for chalkboard and tackboard space. The 24 by 32 foot area is identical with traditional classrooms except for its orientation and will permit wide latitude in room organization.

The vision-strip classroom offers a workable and efficient audio-visual classroom plan for these reasons:

- 1. Low-cost initial building expense.
- 2. Low-cost annual maintenance—heat and light.
- 3. The 4 foot high wall window in clear glass *vision strip* is psychologically adequate to provide pupil identification with the out-of-doors.
- 4. The 4 foot vision strip is a relatively small area to be light controlled. Low-cost interlocking or venetian blinds, running draw-line draperies, or sill-stored window roller shades may be inexpensively installed and maintained.
- 5. Uniform ventilation and lighting are built into the classroom.

I strongly urge that the vision-strip audio-visual classroom idea be presented to school authorities and architects for study and construction as new schoolhouse planning and building go forward.



^aAdapted from Wittich, W. A., and Schuller, Charles F.: Audio-Visual Materials—Their Nature and Use. Harper and Brothers, revised 1957, Chapter 16.





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MARGARET E. TERRELL

Professor of Home Economics and Director of Dining Halls University of Washington, Seattle

WHILE to many administrators the term "lunchroom" means "cafeteria," the classroom lunchroom has been gaining in popularity. In Washington State, for example, some two hundred schools are using classroom lunchrooms.

As in many other instances where necessity was the mother of invention, "classroom feeding" was initiated and its growth was given special impetus by a shortage of funds for food service space and equipment. School authorities came to realize, after some of the initial problems were ironed

out, that in this new program they have a feature possessing splendid potentials. Teachers who at first objected to the classroom lunchroom arrangement, on the basis that it imposed on their personal time at noon, now acknowledge that they like it better than the general dining room plan.

Among the advantages indicated for classroom feeding are the following:

Discipline is easier to maintain than in the general cafeteria type of service. Each teacher is with her pupils when they are served and while they are eating. The close and friendly association and the quiet, orderly atmosphere facilitate much valuable training during mealtime. The familiar surroundings of the classroom offer fewer distractions for the youngsters; they can be encouraged to take sufficient time to eat their lunch and to eat the proper foods. Good personal and social habits can be promoted effectively with each individual in the smaller group.

In each school where the classroom lunchroom plan is in use, the food originates from a central kitchen. The methods of serving, however, vary with



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ABOVE: In one room the children's custom is to take turns asking their teacher to be a special guest. All stand at their places at the classroom table until the teacher comes with her pupil host. BELOW: Children and teacher sing grace before being seated. The host seats his guest and is responsible for entertaining her during the meal. All enjoy acting as hosts.



BELOW: The family style of seating offers an opportunity for noontime discussion—a chance for youngsters to learn to appreciate others' ideas and their right to speak. In one upper grade pupils pick a subject to discuss under the direction of a moderator selected by the group. They have fun "sounding off" on pet topics while learning round table technics.



the individual buildings, since the physical layout will influence the best serving method to use.

Single-Story Building: Schools having all rooms on one floor and in one building are easy to serve. The food trucks may be rolled along the corridors to locations in the rooms or in the hallways adjacent to the rooms.

In order to clarify the manner in which classroom feeding functions, an example was chosen from an area where the system had become well established, the Highline schools of Seattle. They were among the first to institute this type of service. Pictures showing how the plan works at Mc-Micken School, a member of the Highline group, appear with this article.

Multistory Building: Food transportation presents a greater problem when the school occupies several floors. Being used successfully in such schools is a common cafeteria serving unit. The pupils go to the cafeteria for their food and return with it to their own classroom table. The plan of having each pupil carry his tray up or down stairs seems to present fewer difficulties than the carrying of large quantities of hot food and serving equipment to the several floors.

More Than One Building: The "hot sack lunch" has been found useful in schools where food must be distributed to separate buildings. The menu for this type consists of the foods required in the Type "A" lunch. A casserole item is the one hot food used. This is served in a covered paper cup. The cold items are placed in the sacks well ahead of the serving time and the container with the hot food is added at the last minute.

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The clean-up following the meal is greatly simplified by the sack lunch system. The children deposit the sacks at a central disposal point for incineration, eliminating the need for dishwashing labor, supplies and equipment.

Great ingenuity is needed in planning and preparing this type of lunch in order to ensure its appeal. The attractiveness of the food is hidden by the paper container. Wise use of the surprise factor, on the other hand, may help to make this type of serving a favorite of the children.

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The Superintendent's Task: Improving Instruction

Review of A.A.S.A. Yearbook by C. C. TRILLINGHAM Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and Yearbook Chairman

THE SUPERINTENDENT AS INSTRUCTIONAL LEADER. Thirty-fifth Year-book of the American Association of School Administrators, N.E.A., 1201 16th Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C., 1957. Pp. 226. \$5.

THE superintendent of schools knows that his most important task is that of improvement of instruction, for it is a mark of every profession to increase continually its store of knowledge and to refine its technics. This is the challenge which the yearbook commission* has attempted to meet through suggested procedures and technics which should apply equally to superintendents of large and small systems.

The commission holds that the school superintendent who has been most concerned in recent years with obtaining the necessary money, teachers and buildings to carry on the educational program must increasingly concern himself with what he would do for the learners if all those physical necessities were available.

The professional growth of the school personnel and the improvement of curriculum and instruction seldom exceed the personal interest, enthusiasm and encouragement displayed by the superintendent. His concern with such matters as the reduction of class size, the provision of necessary time for teachers to take part in professional growth activities, the participa-

tion of teachers in policy making, the minimizing of classroom interruptions, the provision of adequate clerical help, the interpretation of the results of teaching to the public, the interpretation of the public's concern to the teachers, and other such factors that help make it possible for classroom teachers to teach are also eloquent ways in which the superintendent properly assumes responsibility for improving instruction.

The 1957 yearbook gives full recognition to the frustrations that the school leader faces when a multitude of other problems, large and small, clamor for attention. The superintendent sometimes becomes discouraged because many of the duties he must perform seem so remote from the actual teaching process, but, according to the commission, he should realize that whatever he does to create conditions so that better teaching can take place is a contribution to the improvement of instruction.

When he helps to build a better building, when he is instrumental in getting a more adequate budget, when he refuses to succumb to pressure to employ an incompetent teacher, when he protects teachers and children from well meaning promoters of essay contests and interruptions in the daily schedule, he is contributing to improved instruction. When he is able to obtain better lighting or acoustical conditions or improved sanitary conditions, he is making better instruction easier. Again, he contributes to improved instruction through such activities as selecting better teachers, bolstering morale, creating better working conditions, defending teachers against unfair criticism, and utilizing as fully as possible the potential abilities of each staff member.

Beyond these indirect contributions to the improvement of the instructional program, the 1957 yearbook points toward an organized program for the improvement of instruction.

*Members of the yearbook commission are: C. C. Trillingham, superintendent, Los Angeles County, chairman; Stephen M. Corey, dean, Teachers College, Columbia University; Johnnye V. Cox, director, program for the education of supervisors, University of Georgia; W. W. Eshelman, supervising principal, Upper Dublin School District, Fort Washington, Pa.; Philip H. Falk, superintendent, Madison, Wis.; Robert S. Fox, director, university experimental school, University of Michigan; T. J. Jenson, superintendent, Shorewood, Wis.; Truman M. Pierce, dean, school of education, Alabama Polytechnic Institute; Lucille Ramsey, teacher, Orange, Tex., and Dean M. Schweickhard, state commissioner of education, Minnesota.

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"The superintendent is the key person in a cooperative problem-solving process. He is the 'player-manager' on the team. The commission believes that this is a positive clue to the busy school executive who desires to do something about upgrading the effectiveness of his schools. He is the one person who can do most about providing the conditions and encouraging and arranging processes for cooperative action.

This cooperative research method of instructional improvement commits the educational leader to a twofold responsibility: (1) to provide members of his staff with the kinds of resources needed, and (2) to see that people become increasingly skillful as

they engage in the cooperative problem-solving process.

"It is not always easy to keep in mind that the superintendent or other educational leader does much to establish the group norms so far as personal relations are concerned. When he demonstrates that he is genuinely considerate of other people, that he values them and considers them important and does not punish expressed reflections on his judgment, he does a great deal to establish an atmosphere that makes for better human relations throughout the school system. This kind of behavior on the part of the educational leader, however, is not easily engaged in. Superintendents are like everybody else in that they vary greatly in personal security, self-confidence and self-respect. A superintendent who is somewhat fearful and has doubts about his own capacity and is sensitive about his own judgment cannot behave in such a way as to make it easy for other people to express themselves candidly."

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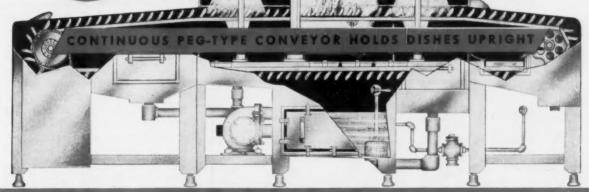
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relating to orientation of new teachers, teacher promotion, substitute teachers, school-community relationships, cooperative inservice education, provision of physical environment for improved instruction, leadership development, and evaluation procedures.

In summary, the school superintendent in America today is the chief coordinator of a professional team engaged in the complex enterprise of providing good education for all children and youth in his community. As educational leader of school and community, his main task is that of working with his professional and lay associates in providing the facilities and conditions that will ensure good teaching and learning.

The successful administrator has the vision, the courage, and the energy to inspire the kind of teacher participation that will result in high group morale. He succeeds in obtaining the understanding, cooperation and advice of selected lay representatives who are sensitive to the highest purposes and possibilities of public education. He arranges to have the teaching staff provided with the necessary variety of teaching aids and materials to encourage a superior quality of instruction in the classrooms.

To exercise this kind of leadership as an educational statesman, the superintendent must possess a high degree of personal integrity and emotional balance, more than ordinary physical stamina, and an ardent belief in public education as a vital force in community and national life. For these qualities, coupled with an administrative competence growing out of appropriate training and experience, are the qualities of the good superintendent.

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One major case history constitutes the theme of "The Superintendent as Instructional Leader," that of John Jones, who symbolizes the young superintendent facing the most insecure, hazardous, enervating, frustrating and difficult job in education. His own personal development comes through the long struggle to achieve security at his job. He finds new understanding and faith in cooperative problem solving and becomes a self-directing person. In developing this new-found security, he also develops a greater sense of confidence in the ability of others. He finds satisfaction in a public service that can be equaled by no other profession.

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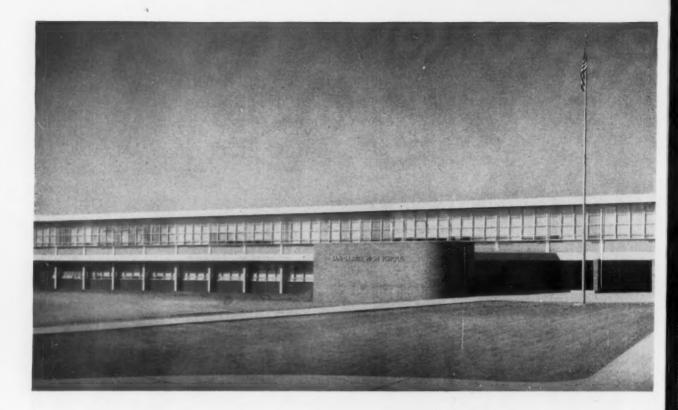
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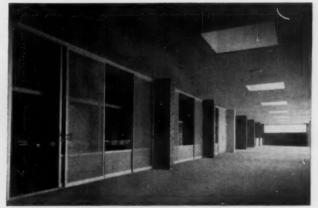
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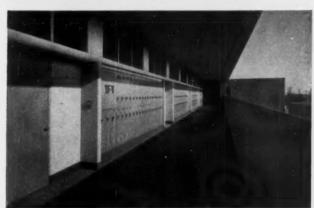




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Teachers for Our Times

Book Review by MARCUS BACH

Associate Director and Professor, School of Religion, University of Iowa

THIS book stands at the intersection of a growing community interest in the quality of teaching and a growing educational responsibility in the selection and development of teachers of quality. But it is more than a static guidepost pointing the way. In a very

real sense, it is the way itself for those who are ready to engage in the daring and creative elements of leadership.

'In trying to make education more effective," says John Harold, "we have gathered together knowledge, put it in books, cataloged it, and called it formal education. We tend to overlook or at least underemphasize that the purpose of education . . . is to improve our culture and make it worth preserving."

The energy of this little book (less than 100 pages) is generated out of the author's personal experiences and deep insight into the contemporary need for the public school to be a part of the total life of the community and a vital, constructive force in the destiny

of every child.

The book might well be titled, "A Superintendent Speaks His Mind." Author Harold has taken the most salient problems and questions about school administration into the laboratory of his own experiences. The result is a straightforward discovery: Education can fulfill its function only if it

TEACHERS FOR OUR TIMES. By John Harold, superintendent of schools, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Edited by Guy Wagner, director of curriculum laboratory, Iowa State Teachers College. Kansas City, Mo.: Intercollegiate Press. Pp. 93.

stops apologizing for its troubles, concerns and limitations and surmounts them with dynamic leadership. This includes not only the need for creative teachers but ideas, methods, programs and technics.

Every teacher should be given a copy of this book as an inspirational working manual. Every community leader might well read it with profit as a challenge to better understanding of the school's function and an insight into the kind of awareness behind the work of a modern educator.

There is bound to be some criticism about the "popular approach" and the general format of the book, but these features, to me, constitute some of its finest qualities. Here, at long last, is a readable book which brings educational problems out of an academic limbo and sets them squarely before the teacher in the classroom, the clergyman in his parish, and the parent in his home. There are many quotations from authoritative sources. The book abounds in illustrative and anecdotal material and should spur us on to realize the infinite potential of the school's function in American life, and cause us to appreciate better the high and holy calling of those who teach and inspire the youth of our



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wire from Washington

By EDGAR FULLER

Construction legislation

▶ The question most asked in educational circles here is about the chance of enacting federal school construction legislation in 1957. The first bill of any kind introduced in the 85th Congress was Resolution No. 1 by Rep. Augustine G. Kelley (D.-Pa.) calling for \$600,000,000 annually for six years to be distributed according to the number of persons 5 to 17 years of age in each state. Numerous other bills, including that of the Administration, will also be before the Congress.

After the narrow defeat of last year's Kelley bill, the chorus of disappointment was led by President Eisenhower. Since then both political parties have committed themselves more strongly in favor of the legislation than ever before.

Representatives of major education organizations have been consulted about the Administration's legislative plans by H.E.W. Secretary Marion B. Folsom, Undersecretary Herold C. Hunt, and other officials. Educators anticipate the important part that Commissioner Lawrence G. Derthick will play in regard to the Administration bill. The recent election gave the "new Republicanism," which tends to favor the legislation, a boost over the ultraconservatives who have always opposed it. The President is expected to be more active on behalf of federal aid than in 1956.

In December, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell Jr. (D.-N.Y.) said privately that his "anti-segregation" amendment might be introduced as separate civil rights legislation rather than added to school construction bills, but because he was not disciplined by the Democrats for supporting Eisenhower for re-election, he has changed his mind. While there is some opinion in Washington to the contrary, I believe that the Powell Amendment will be defeated in 1957. A stronger prohibition of federal administrative control of state and local arrangements for edu-

cation should bring many Southerners back to their traditional support of the legislation. This would leave the segregation question to the judiciary as prescribed by the Supreme Court.

There are other plus signs, too. There is a continuing and widespread need for school facilities. The isolation of schools on inadequate local property taxes has become more widely understood, and more people are demanding financial equity for education. Interest rates on school bonds are sky high, and even the *Wall Street Journal* has reported that this will mean more votes for the bill. The record breaking cost of construction and such interest rates will reduce the number of local school districts willing and able to finance school buildings alone.

Some sectors of the hard core of opposition will intensify their efforts to defeat the legislation. The old "numbers game" concerning need is being dusted off for use again, although the lowest need figure thus far found by anyone justifies more federal assistance than Congress is likely to enact. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce will further confuse this issue through an opinionaire circulated to its members.

Whether in this session of Congress or the next, the basic shift of the sources of national personal and corporate income away from local property and toward tax sources pre-empted by the federal government makes eventual enactment as nearly inevitable as anything can be in government.

Beyond the high school

- ► Chairman Devereux C. Josephs of the President's Committee on Education Beyond the High School has made a first interim report to the President. The committee has reached six preliminary conclusions:
- Our ideals and the increasing complexity of our civilization require that each individual fully develop his or her talents.
 - 2. The needs of the individual and

of society plus an unprecedented growth in the population of post-high school age will far outrun the present or planned capacity of existing colleges and universities and other post-high school institutions.

- 3. The needs of the oncoming millions of individuals with varying capacities and interests will call for a broader range of educational opportunities and less rigid time requirements.
- 4. Many more able and qualified teachers will be needed than present efforts can provide.
- 5. There must be promptly formulated an explicit, considered policy as to the rôle of the federal government in education beyond the high school.
- 6. Even with the best possible utilization of existing resources, additional financial support must be provided if the additional millions in the population are to be enabled to develop their talents fully.

The committee has sponsored five workshops in preparation for five regional conferences to be held between January and June of this year. These conferences are intended to stimulate informed public discussion and to assist the committee in making its own recommendations for action to citizens, educational institutions and local, state and federal governments.

Sound beginning

The committee appears to have made a sound and encouraging beginning. It has courageously suggested that an even greater diversity of offerings for post-high school students, such as those found in two-year colleges, technical schools, and adult education, will be necessary to provide for greatly increased numbers of students during the next 10 to 15 years.

The topic sentence of the report is: "The inescapable fact about the future of education beyond the high school is that in 1956 almost twice as many children will be born in the United States





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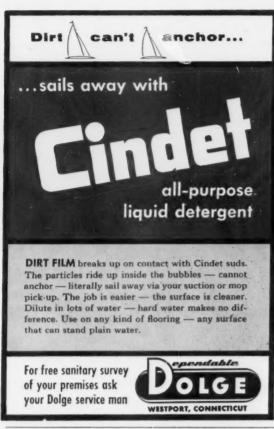
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First things first

► The elementary and secondary schoolmen, who must somehow arrange for 12 years of education for these largest annual crops of American babies born since 1951, are worried. It will be from 12 to 17 years before they are "beyond the high school." Schoolmen notice the almost immediate emphasis of the committee on the

financial rôle of the federal government and wonder what this means for elementary and secondary education.

There have been many billions of federal dollars spent in colleges and universities in recent years. Present research contracts and other federal subsidies make some institutions almost branches of the federal government, because there is direct federal-local dealing which lacks the built-in protections against federal control of education happily present in the state systems of public education. The superior public relations facilities in

higher education and the vast interchange of personnel between the government and the institutions may easily lead to further expansion of the already huge federal funds for higher education. In short, citizens and schoolmen are concerned that a peculiar brand of educational escapism may place the prospective needs of 1970 above the critical needs of 1957. As a practical matter, Congress is unlikely to care for its share of both problems at the same time.

I believe the public will be inclined to insist that first things come first and that the crisis in elementary and secondary school financing will be given fair consideration by the federal government. The committee would do well to recognize explicitly in its next report that the scope and quality of education beyond the high school in its emphasized year of 1970 depends largely upon the quality of elementary and secondary education between 1957 and 1969.

Test for desegregation

▶ On the last day of 1956 Chief Judge John J. Parker of South Carolina, speaking for the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals at Baltimore, affirmed the decisions of lower federal courts ordering the public school authorities of the city of Charlottesville and Arlington County, Virginia, to proceed with desegregation.

The injunction applies on January 31 to all public school grades in Charlottesville, where about 23 per cent of the pupils are Negroes. In Arlington, where about 6 per cent are Negroes, it applies to elementary schools on January 31, and to high schools next September. Enforcement will be delayed pending appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court, where reversal is highly unlikely.

The exact terms of the court injunction are both interesting and important. They enjoin the defendants "... from refusing on account of race or color to admit to, or enroll or educate in, any school under their operation, control, direction, or supervision any child otherwise qualified for admission to, and enrollment and education, in such school."

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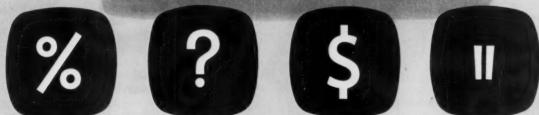
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"It must be remembered that the decisions of the Supreme Court . . . do not compel the mixing of the different races in the public schools. No general reshuffling of the pupils in any school system has been commanded. The order of the court is simply that no child shall be denied admission to a school on the basis of race or color. Indeed, just so a child is not through any form of compulsion or pressure required to stay in a certain school, or denied transfer to another school, because of his race or color, the school heads may allow the pupil, whether

white or Negro, to go to the same school as he would have attended in the absence of the ruling of the Supreme Court. Consequently, compliance with that ruling may well not necessitate such extensive changes in the school system as some anticipate."

As this is written a recently authorized three-member state pupil placement board is preparing to hold its first meeting. This board has authority under Virginia law to assign pupils to all public schools in the state, and no local board of education now has such authority. It seems likely that any contempt proceedings growing out of these cases will be brought against the state pupil placement board rather than against the local boards of education.

The great battle developing between the U.S. Supreme Court and the commonwealth of Virginia is high legal drama, in which the capacity of the law to adapt itself to practical conditions is being illustrated. In the zig-zag course that constitutional law usually follows on major controversial issues. gradual desegregation will take place. The judicial system, however, has builtin procedures which permit adherence to the principles enunciated by the Supreme Court without unnecessary violence to the majorities of citizens in some communities and states. Rarely has there been a better illustration of the social genius of our law than the circuit court decision in Virginia.

Driver training increases

► The committee on highway safety of the Governors' Conference has recommended that every state shall immediately "promote the offering in high schools of comprehensive traffic and driver education courses, including behind-the-wheel training, and consider the desirability of requiring, after a sufficient time, that all young drivers present evidence of their having completed an approved driver course."

To the horror of academicians, who often use driver training to illustrate waste of school time, citizens have been agreeing with such organizations as the N.E.A. Safety Commission, the American Automobile Association, and the National Safety Council that the schools should emphasize it more.

The general interest of citizens in safe driving has resulted in driver training programs in thousands of high schools throughout the country. It has also led to special state appropriations for driver training in seven states since 1947—four in 1955.

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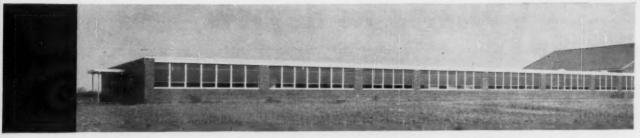
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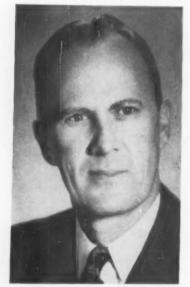
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NEWS IN REVIEW

C. C. Trillingham to Head A.A.S.A. in 1957-58

WASHINGTON, D.C. — C. C. Trillingham has been named presidentelect of the American Association of School Administrators for the 1957-58 term. Dr. Trillingham, superintendent for Los Angeles County schools, will



C. C. Trillingham

succeed Philip J. Hickey, superintendent of instruction, St. Louis, who takes office as A.A.S.A. president March 15.

The election of J. Chester Swanson, superintendent at Oklahoma City, Okla., as vice president and of Wendell Godwin, superintendent at Topeka, Kan., as member of executive committee was also announced.

Dr. Trillingham joined the Los Angeles County schools in 1934 as assistant superintendent and has headed that system since 1942. Before that time

he had served as teacher, principal and superintendent in Kansas schools. Dr. Trillingham is chairman of the 1957 A.A.S.A. yearbook commission and has been a member of the editorial board of The NATION'S SCHOOLS since 1947.

Dr. Swanson, who has held his Oklahoma post since 1949, was a consultant to the White House Conference on Education and served as chairman of the 1956 A.A.S.A. yearbook commission. Mr. Godwin, the president of the Kansas Association of City School Superintendents, has headed Topeka schools since 1951.

Better Administration Goal of 10 Year Nationwide Project

NEW YORK. — A 10 year nationwide project aimed at improving the quality and effectiveness of public school administration has been initiated. Thirty-two leading universities across the country will cooperate in the program, which will cost an estimated \$10 million.

To be known as the National Council of Administrative Leadership, the project will be an inter-university association of distinguished scholars and authorities in educational administration. It is underwritten by an initial grant of \$400,000 from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation.

Daniel R. Davies, professor of education at Teachers College, Columbia University, will direct the project. Council headquarters are at Teachers College

The council has outlined these preliminary goals for its program: to help raise the administration of education to the level of statesmanship; to improve the recruitment and selection of students for executive positions in education; to improve basic instruction for these positions; to help professional schools to meet modern needs; to guide the professional development of the working administrator.

Among the council's first projects will be a nationwide study, in cooperation with the Educational Testing Service, on how to judge good administration in education. This study will cost \$500,000 and will take five years.

Fund and Ford Foundation Combine Education Activities

NEW YORK.—Activities of the Ford Foundation in the field of education have been combined with those of the Fund for the Advancement of Education. The consolidation of the two programs became effective January 1.

The action, approved by the trustees of the Fund and the Foundation, is aimed at giving more effective help to education in dealing with its current problems, according to Henry T. Heald, Foundation president.

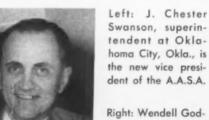
Clarence H. Faust, president of the Fund, will become a vice president of the Foundation and will continue as president of the Fund during the period of expenditure of the remainder of the \$25 million granted to the Fund by the Foundation in April 1954.

More than four-fifths of the Foundation's expenditures, now nearing the \$1 billion mark, have been invested in educational improvement, directly or indirectly. About 70 per cent of the Fund's expenditures to date has been spent on the improvement of teaching.

Weekly U.N. Review Series Now on Educational TV

ANN ARBOR, MICH. — A week-byweek analysis of United Nations activities in kinescope form is now being distributed to educational TV stations. Entitled "United Nations Review" the programs feature interviews with key U.N. leaders and discussions of critical issues by Charles B. Lynch, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation correspond-

The series is distributed by the Educational Television and Radio Center here. It is scheduled to run 18 weeks through March 11.



Right: Wendell Godwin, superintendent at Topeka, Kan., is a member of A.A.S.A.'s executive committee.





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Expect Record Attendance of More Than 19,000 at A.A.S.A.'s 83d Convention at Atlantic City

WASHINGTON, D.C. — More than 19,000 administrators from large and small school systems in every part of the country will convene in Atlantic City, N.J., starting February 15 for a six-day examination of education's most crucial issues. This 83d annual convention of the American Association of School Administrators is expected to be the largest gathering of school superintendents ever to meet in one place.

Headline speakers at the general sessions and at specialized group meetings include Lawrence G. Derthick, U.S. Commissioner of Education; John F. Kennedy, U.S. senator from Massachusetts; Beardsley Ruml, tax expert and economist; Norman Cousins, editor of the Saturday Review; You Chan Yang, Korean ambassador to the United States; Earl J. McGrath, executive officer, Institute of Higher Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, and M. F. Ashley Montagu, anthropologist.

Paul Misner, A.A.S.A. president and superintendent at Glencoe, Ill., has announced plans for the first large-scale demonstration of teaching by TV before a major educational group. Convention participants will watch, via closed circuit TV, kinescopes of teachers in the actual process of teaching before the cameras. Monitor sets located in several rooms throughout the Atlantic City auditorium will pick up the pictures, and approximately 100 persons in each room will watch the demonstration simultaneously.

A total of 569 workshops, discussion groups, general sessions, and breakfast, lunch and dinner meetings are scheduled to bring delegates up to date on such pressing problems as the teaching of science, handling gifted and disturbed children, merit rating for teachers, desegregation and juvenile delinquency.

The annual Golden Key Awards for "distinguished service in the improvement of education" will be presented at a platform ceremony to Gen. Maxwell B. Taylor, U.S. Army chief of staff, and Beardsley Ruml. The former teachers of the two men will similarly be honored. The presentation is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. February 16. William G. Carr, N.EA. executive secretary, will be the principal speaker.

Other highlights of the convention include 450 exhibits of products rang-

ing from school buses to pen points and the school building architectural exhibit. The latter is jointly sponsored by A.A.S.A. and the American Institute of Architects.

Approximately 60 allied and affiliated groups will hold simultaneous or overlapping meetings.

Dispute Payment for Health Services in Parochial School

BRONXVILLE, N.Y.—The adjacent communities of Yonkers, Mount Vernon, and Eastchester have been ordered by the state to pay for health services given to their children at a parochial school here.

Commissioner James E. Allen issued the order in accordance with a 1953 state law which requires home districts to pay for health services for children attending parochial or other nonpublic schools outside those districts.

Medical and nursing personnel hired by the board of education is assigned to administer health services in such schools.

Mount Vernon, defending its failure to reimburse Bronxville for the school years 1954-55 and 1955-56, challenged the constitutionality of the amendment and stated that the city had not entered into a contract with Bronxville for health services.

Commissioner Allen declined to comment on constitutionality, suggesting that the issue might be taken to court. However, he said no district had the legal right to deprive children of health services by failure to act, regardless of the existence of a contract.

Federal Judge's Decision Defers Dallas Integration

DALLAS, TEX.—A federal district judge has ruled that schools here should not be integrated immediately. Dismissing the suit of 19 Negro children who sought entry to white schools, Judge William H. Atwell criticized the Supreme Court for its decision outlawing segregation in public schools.

He stated that the Supreme Court ruling is not based on law, but on "modern psychological knowledge." He dismissed the suit specifically on the grounds that the school board should be given ample time to work out the problem of integration.

A Course Is Chosen

D. J. Brittain Jr., principal of Clinton High School, Clinton, Tenn., gave this explanation of his firm stand against recent prosegregation demonstrations in the school:

"I can't find that I have any ideology or philosophy about integration versus segregation. I don't see an expression there for me.

"But there is the law of the land. I try to take the view that there is a white child in this group, and a white child in that group, and a Negro child in another group, and they must all be held to the same yardsticks of conduct without discrimination. I guess it is simply there that I stand."

N.E.A. Offers Federal Aid Plan; Hits Anti-Segregation Rider

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A system combining flat grants with equalizing grants to needy states has been suggested by the N.E.A. as a basis for distributing federal funds for schoolhouse construction. The association also condemned the idea of an antisegregation rider to the federal aid bill, stating that such an amendment would contradict the principle of federal aid without federal control.

These views were included in a fivepoint "statement of basic principles" on federal emergency school legislation. The statement, drawn up by the N.E.A.'s legislative commission, was adopted at the association's third annual policy making conference.

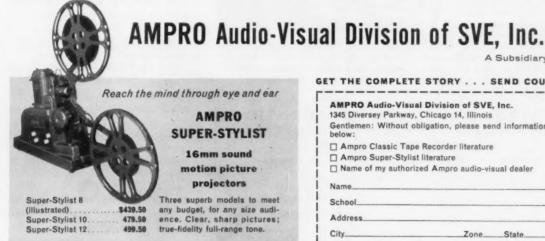
Legislation for children's welfare should be nonpartisan, the statement urged. It called for specific prohibition in the law against government "interference in the program, personnel, curriculum or administrative policy of the schools."

With specific reference to segregation, the policy said: "Legislation to enforce compliance with the decisions of the United States Supreme Court on the issue of segregation in the public schools contradicts the principle of federal aid without federal control. For this reason, compliance with the decision of the Supreme Court should be the responsibility of the lower courts in the manner described by the Supreme Court."



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Columbia Dean Offers Critique of Graduate Work

NEW YORK.—The dean of graduate faculties at Columbia University recently charged that the "time spent in making professional scholars is too long for the results achieved."

In his first annual report to the university's president, Jacques Barzun discussed the shortcomings of graduate instruction. "Instructors are required to do too much lecturing and students too much sitting and note taking," he said. "Both groups should do more independent work and come

together for periods of true tuition and apprenticeship.

"The research for master of arts or doctor of philosophy degrees is too often re-search," he said, "adding little or nothing to knowledge." Graduate study lacks the right instruction and facilities to give professional training for college teaching or for scholarly research.

Finally, Dr. Barzun noted that the system of combining specialties under the name of major and minor does not yield a true *course* of study. "As a result, it is a rare graduate student

who can be said to be an educated man."

These shortcomings are further accentuated by the fact that many graduate students cannot pursue full-time study because of economic pressures. Dr. Barzun urged that Columbia grant tuition exemption to scholarship and fellowship holders as a partial solution for the student who must support himself and perhaps a family in addition. At present, he pointed out, such students often decelerate their studies to the "point of absurdity."

College Freshmen Ask More Help in High School

NEW YORK.—Nearly half the freshmen entering college do not return for a second year. Two years ago, the committee on school and college relations of the Educational Records Bureau started a study to find out why.

In the study, "College Freshmen Speak Out," recently published by Harper & Brothers, 470 students in 27 of the nation's leading colleges and universities were interviewed. Giving their opinions on the problems of adjusting to college life, the students came up with some sharp criticisms of high school and college guidance programs and high school curriculums.

"Every high school should strengthen its work in such things as vocabulary, ability to read well and express yourself in writing, complete knowledge of term paper writing, how to take long tests and similar subjects. These aren't needed just in English but in every freshman course," stated one private preparatory school student.

This opinion was echoed by others who called on high schools to give more training in technics for college work such as library skills and ability to organize ideas and to carry out long-term assignments without constant supervision.

On the basis of its findings, the study recommended also that high school guidance programs be strengthened. Counselors should be provided with adequate training for precollege advice, and they should be given ample time to work with students in defining their individual aims and requirements. The schools should have extensive information about colleges for the use of students and counselors.

Many of those interviewed were critical of freshmen college courses,

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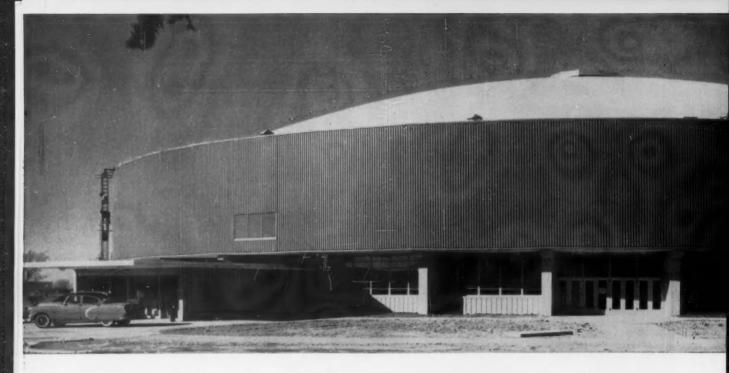
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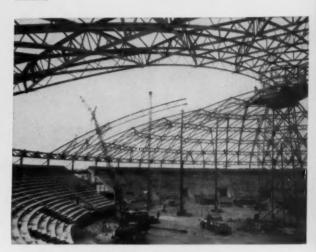
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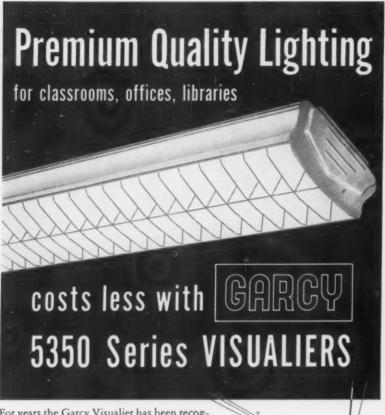
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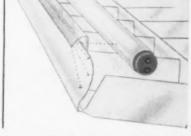


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finding that their teachers lacked enthusiasm or ability and that their freshmen subjects were boring and uninspiring. On the basis of these comments, the study urged colleges and universities to give careful consideration to the assignment of faculty members to freshmen courses.

Subcommittee and School Board Disagree on Capital's Schools

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The majority report of a congressional subcommittee which investigated the public schools here has called for a return to segregated classes. The report was signed by four southern representatives; two northern Republican members of the subcommittee rejected its recommendations.

The Washington, D.C., Board of Education announced unanimous opposition to the "resegregation" proposal. Hobart Corning, superintendent, said a return to segregation would be illegal and impossible, as well as contrary to school board policy.

The report said that racial integration had impaired educational standards and caused appalling disciplinary difficulties and sex problems. The dissenting committee members charged that the majority of the committee had dealt with the "sordid headline details almost entirely."

The Washington Committee for the Public Schools, a 31 member group of civic leaders formed during the subcommittee hearings, also denounced the report as "negative and hostile."

Michigan to Require Driver Training for Teen Licenses

LANSING, MICH. — No drivers' licenses will be issued to Michigan young people under 18 unless they have passed an approved course in driver education, under provisions of a state law which becomes effective February 1.

Clair L. Taylor, state superintendent of public instruction, estimates that 105,000 boys and girls in the 15 year age group are directly affected. The law applies equally to those enrolled in public, private or parochial schools, and to those not in attendance at any school.

The law is being watched by every state, Dr. Taylor said. "Experts at Northwestern University's traffic institute have called it the greatest single step to meet the highway accident problem," he added.

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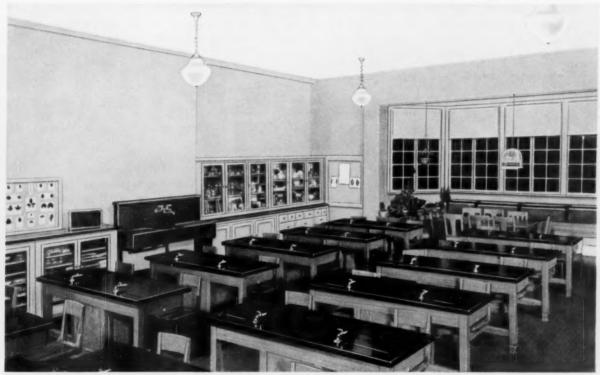
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EVANSTON, ILL.—It takes more than an intelligence test to identify many gifted children. Qualities of social leadership and creative abilities in music, art and writing are chiefly recognized in performance, a professor of education pointed out recently.

Paul Witty of Northwestern University emphasized the importance of providing many opportunities for children to express special abilities. Variety of opportunity is the best

means of identifying these talented youngsters, he said. Any child should be considered gifted whose performance in a valuable line of human activity is consistently remarkable.

As an example, Dr. Witty described the use of a symbolic and imaginative movie to determine creative writing ability in 2000 elementary school pupils. After seeing the film, which had no dialogue or narration, pupils were asked to write a story or poem to accompany it. The compositions were judged according to "genuine feeling"; sensitivity to

the value of particular words and phrases; a recognition of the film-maker's intent and of the symbols presented, and correct use of English. About 10 per cent of the compositions were outstanding, suggesting potential writing ability.

Pupils gifted in science, Dr. Witty said, are typically characterized by high verbal ability, high mathematical ability, and superiority in various aspects of science which may be determined by tests. But, he added, they are also characterized by "drive or determination to use their abilities as well as by a searching, inquiring attitude."

Dr. Witty spoke before the annual conference of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in New York.

Report 198 TV Stations Carrying Educational Series

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Office of Education has reported that 198 commercial television stations in this country are carrying a total of 531 educational program series.

The 198 stations, situated in 144 cities, are those that replied to a U.S.O.E. questionnaire, sent to the 511 stations now on the air. The survey showed that the 531 programs are sponsored by eight state departments of education, 15 county school systems, 160 colleges and universities, 13 teachers colleges, 67 public school systems, and five parochial school systems.

The survey included neither educational programs carried on networks nor those carried by the strictly educational television stations on reserved channels.

Promotes High Standards for Educational Secretaries

WASHINGTON, D.C.—A plan to encourage high standards of preparation for educational secretaries has been adopted by the National Association of Educational Secretaries. To be known as the Professional Standards Program, the plan calls for certificates of recognition to be awarded on the basis of experience, education and professional activities.

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Mental Health May Suffer If Child Changes Schools Often

COLUMBUS, OHIO. — Frequent changes in schools can be an important factor adversely affecting a student's mental health, an Ohio State University research team reports. The team also named unhappy family life and isolation from well organized community groups as significant factors affecting emotional stability.

A. R. Mangus of Ohio State University's institute of child development and family life and E. Z. Dager of Purdue University are co-authors of

the report.

Of a group of 384 public school pupils first tested in 1946 at the age of 9 and retested in 1955, 8.6 per cent moved downward to "significantly lower levels of mental health," the sociologists said.

Students who make repeated changes in schools are subject to great risks of adverse personality change, while the "non-mobile" have increased chances of changing in the direction of mental health. A break or threatened break in the family of an adolescent or preadolescent poses a major threat to his personality organization, the report said.

California Study Shows Trend Toward District Unification

BERKELEY, CALIF.—Tradition, law and public opinion are the major forces retarding school district unification in California, according to a recent study issued by the California State Department of Education. Despite these factors, the trend is toward unification rather than separately organized elementary and high school districts, the report states.

California has more separately organized and administered elementary and high school districts than any other state; less than 5 per cent are unified under the administration of one board and one superintendent and financed

through one budget.

The report recommends that laws and regulations be changed so that uneconomical districts will not be perpetuated for legal and financial reasons. In addition, these questions must be satisfactorily answered before unification can be speeded up: (1) To what extent has district unification resulted in loss, reduction or increase of local responsibility and control of the schools? (2) Does unification bring schools closer to the people in

a district? (3) To what extent does the present system of state support provide financial rewards that discourage reorganization or unification? (4) How can undesirable unifications be avoided? (5) To what extent does the present system of separate organization make education more costly?

Philadelphia High School Students to Study Communism

PHILADELPHIA. — High school students in Pennsylvania will study the dangers of communism in a special course to be inaugurated next fall,

Charles E. Boehm, state superintendent of public instruction, has announced.

The course will be taught in 11th and 12th grades and will consist of a one or two week unit of social studies. Dr. Boehm said that teachers, while emphasizing the positive side of democracy, had not discussed the faults of ideologies such as communism for "fear of becoming involved in controversy."

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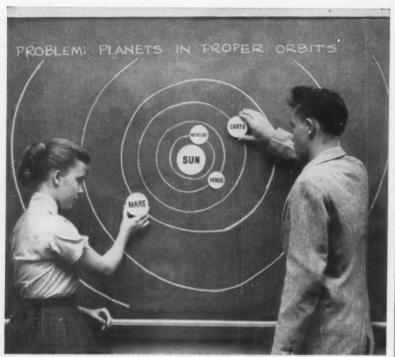
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Law Professors Differ on Teachers Unions, Strikes

NEW YORK.—Teachers have "no alternative" to organized action if they are to obtain better working conditions, a law professor told public school administrators at a school law conference here.

James P. Gifford, associate professor of law, Columbia University, also supported the right of teachers to strike under certain circumstances—such as when they are "confronted with a breach of agreement or refusal to negotiate."

Taking the opposite point of view was Robert R. Hamilton, dean of the University of Wyoming's law school. Dr. Hamilton said he was against teachers striking and noted that teachers are becoming increasingly more strike and union minded. "Much better treatment of teachers is essential if unionization of the profession is to be avoided," he said. "There's going to have to be a new device developed for protection of both the teachers and the public."

"No" Votes Smother Plan to Construct Teacher Apartments

PARK RIDGE, ILL.—The widely considered plan of making teaching positions more attractive by way of school initiated teacher housing took a trouncing here during January. A referendum proposition to build a \$438,000 faculty apartment project was smothered by a vote of 6 to 1.

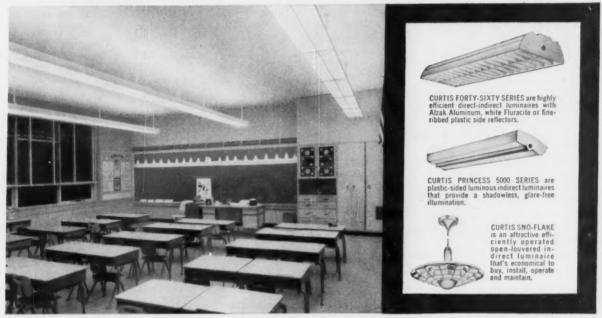
The proposal would have authorized the erection of a two-story brick structure for the teachers of Maine Township High School, which serves some 3600 students from Park Ridge and Des Plaines. It would have provided eight single and 32 double bedroom units, furnished, with general lounge and recreation facilities.

It was believed by the school administration that the construction would attract needed teachers to this area, where suitable housing has been scarce and where rentals on two-room apartments have ranged up to \$175 a month. Instructors during the two-year probationary period required to gain tenure at the school would have paid between \$85 and \$125. Thereafter they would have been expected to plan their own homes.

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point out any specific clues as guides for future undertakings of this nature. Leading the opposition were local real estate interests who were quoted as condemning the project as "a socialistic step" toward government ownership of housing.

Dr. Anderson states that, in response to a questionnaire sent out in 1955 to the then 115 members of the teaching staff, 99 replied, with 96 expressing themselves in favor of the housing program. Since then the faculty has grown to 150, and local newspapers reported that the teachers more recently have been divided on the merit of the proposal. Some are said to have expressed a preference for living apart from their colleagues, others to have found the type of facilities not fully up to their expectations. Still other teachers feared that the building plan was a way of avoiding salary increases.

The public was told by builders that anticipated construction shortly would alleviate the housing shortage. Some members of a citizens advisory group at voting time expressed themselves as opposed. Certain newspapers failed to give support. In short, a united front could not be shown the public,

suggesting that, while the voting was not necessarily premature, continuation of the educational program was needed if the project was to succeed.

Will the indoctrination of the public be started all over again? Supt. Anderson says No. There are other needs directly related to school operation which the community will be asked to meet. Anyway, Dr. Anderson reports, efforts put forth may be expected to ease the teacher housing problems. Real estate people and the general public, he believes, have been sufficiently aroused to carry through on their promises to give teachers preferential consideration in new construc-

Clair Taylor to Accept Post With Michigan State University

LANSING, MICH. - Clair L. Taylor, state superintendent of public instruction for Michigan, has announced that he will not be a candidate for re-election when his second two-year term of office expires July 1. At that time he will join Michigan State University in an administrative post.

Mr. Taylor was deputy superintendent under the late Lee M. Thurston, and was appointed to the state superintendency when Dr. Thurston became U.S. Commissioner of Education.

Urge Extensive Rezoning for Better Integration in New York

NEW YORK .- A master plan to bring about more integration in city schools here is under consideration by the board of education. Key to the proposed integration move is an extensive rezoning of school districts.

The subcommission on zoning which formulated the proposal asks that racial integration be made the cardinal objective of zoning. At the high school level, it recommends that high school population be distributed on the basis of the ethnic makeup of the over-all school population and that no high school student body be composed solely of one ethnic group.

Other recommendations include permissive zoning to provide the opportunity for children in a homogeneous area to attend a heterogeneous school and selective use of bus transportation so that children attending a homogeneous school may be transferred to under-utilized schools in other reasonably near-by areas.

Twenty-two civic, welfare, religious and educational groups have urged adoption of the subcommittee's recommendations, as well as recommendations of the teacher assignment subcommittee to change assignments, giving "difficult" schools a greater proportion of experienced teachers.

Union Asks State Income Tax to Meet School Finance Needs

CHICAGO. — The Chicago Teachers Union will urge adoption of a flat state income tax as the solution to problems of school financing in Illinois. The group will seek the support of both political parties and Gov. William Stratton to pass the tax in the next session of the Illinois General Assembly.

After long study, the union reached the conclusion that such a tax would be the only source of revenue adequate to meet school needs, said John Fewkes, president. With a hypothetical 1 per cent income tax, applied on the basis of 1953 U.S. Internal Revenue Service figures for Illinois, the returns would be \$165 million a year, he said, or \$65 million more than a 1 cent sales tax increase would bring in.

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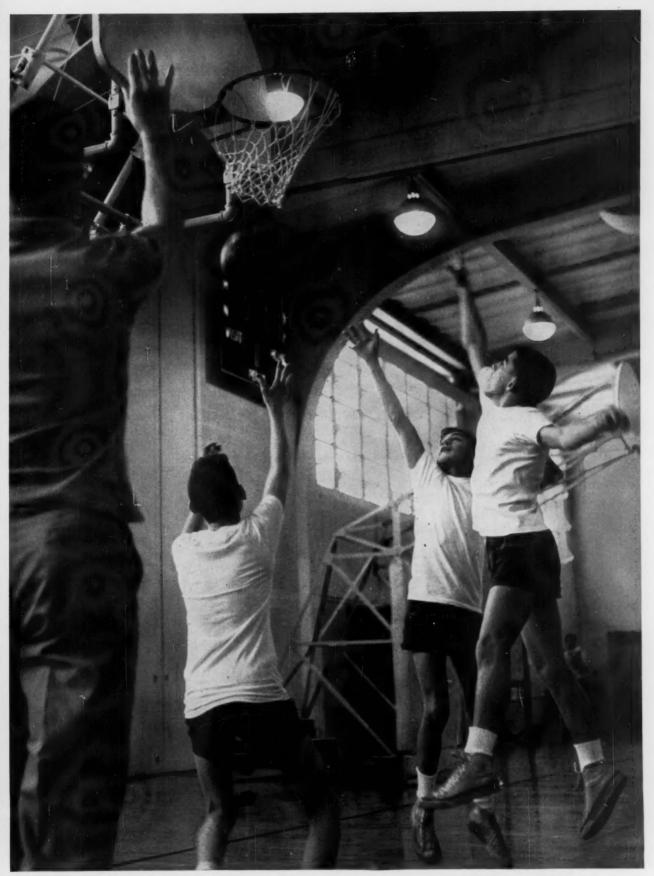
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Need for Psychotherapy Cited by Columbia Psychologist

NEW YORK.—Many educators need psychological help, Everett Dakan of Teachers College, Columbia University, asserted recently. Dr. Dakan bases his opinion on his experience since 1950 as head of the college's psychological counseling staff.

"I want to make it clear, however," Dr. Dakan said, "that I am not implying that American educators are mentally sick as a group. Teachers, like anyone else, may suffer from normal problems of personal adjustment."

However, he said, these problems become more important because of the vital rôle played by the teacher in American society. Personality problems "can hinder not only the teacher's personal life, but also his ability to guide properly the intellectual growth of his pupils."

Dr. Dakan said that many Teachers College graduates had shown increased teaching productivity through psychotherapy. He explained that the counseling service was set up in 1950, partially in response to a student poll in which 96 per cent of the students agreed there was need for some kind of psychological counseling for teachers.

More than 1200 teachers have been interviewed in the program. "We are primarily interested in identifying and explaining the problem, if there is one, to the individual," Dr. Dakan said. He estimated that this takes from one to 15 hours of consultation.

California Parochial Schools Win Tax Exemption

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Supreme Court has upheld a California law which exempts parochial schools from property taxation. The law, passed in 1951, grants complete immunity from property taxation to "nonpublic, undercollegiate, sectarian schools."

Paul W. Heisey, a taxpayer of Oakland, Calif., challenged the law on the basis that it constituted a "tax exemption subsidy" that "overwhelmingly benefits the nonpublic schools of one sect in particular—the Roman Catholic Church." Catholic schools, he asserted, derive 88 per cent of the benefit from the law.

In dismissing the case "for want of a substantial federal question," the Supreme Court left standing the ruling of California's supreme court. A lower California court had ruled the law was unconstitutional.

Teens Show Mixed Feelings on Subject of Integrated Schools

LAFAYETTE, IND. — America's teenagers, like their elders, hold a diversity of opinion on the subject of integrated schools. A representative nationwide sampling of 10,000 young people quizzed by Purdue University's Opinion Panel reflected these attitudes:

Thirty per cent wholeheartedly approved of integrated education, and 12 per cent were equally definite in saying they didn't like the idea and wouldn't cooperate. On the other hand, 22 per cent said they would cooperate, although they didn't like it. Thirty-five per cent were undecided, with 30 per cent indicating they would probably approve and 5 per cent that they would probably disapprove.

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Urban high schoolers were more in favor of integration than rural students were. The higher the income of a teen-ager's family the less anti-Negro feeling he seemed to have. The better educated an adolescent's mother, the more he tends to approve of integrated schools and to be willing to attend them.

Sixty per cent of the adolescents believe that integration is inevitable as compared to 45 per cent of a group questioned in 1951. Today, only 16 per cent of the teen-agers believe that segregation will never be ended everywhere in the U.S., half the proportion who held a similar view five years ago.

Dual Plan Combines Schools With Other Public Buildings

NEW YORK.—Two new junior high schools here will share their sites with a library and a community center, respectively. By erecting two buildings on a single site and using a single plan to cover both units, the city will save "considerable money in construction and site costs," school officials announced.

Both the projects will be in heavily congested sections of Manhattan, and will have the additional advantage of keeping tenant relocation to an absolute minimum, while making the best use of available space.

The first project, now under construction in East Harlem, will incorporate Junior High School 45, planned for an enrollment of 1800 pupils, with a two-story recreation unit which will be located at the west end of the site. Total cost for the dual construction will be \$4.3 million.

The other project combines Junior High School 22 with a one-story branch library on an East Side location. The library will be the first in the city system to be placed back from the street on a grassy plot. This project will cost an estimated \$3.5 million.

Testing Device Livens and Lightens School Tests

NEW YORK.—A cousin of the pinball machine has added excitement to examinations at Metropolitan Vocational High School here. Built by students, the device lights up the

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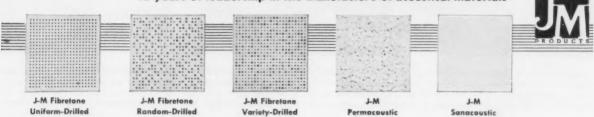
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Diego to Boston, and all of them are cooked with Gas.

In Cleveland, Mrs. America inspected the Sky Chef facilities. She learned from Chef John Tokarz that the same gas equipment used to cook the meals served in flight also prepares hundreds of meals for daily visitors to the airport's main dining room. "It's the same everywhere," she added. "All the famous restaurants I've visited cook with gas... just as I do at home."

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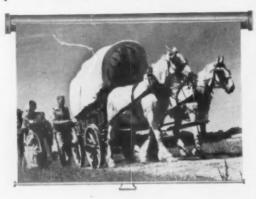
The serving dishes are then placed in these warming ovens, and taken to the plane. The food is always warm when the hostess is ready to serve the meal in flight. The menus are elaborate and change daily to satisfy the most demanding air commuter.



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School Boards Association to Convene February 14

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—Some 2000 school board members and administrators are expected to attend the 17th annual convention of the National School Boards Association here February 14 to 16.

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N.B.C. to Give Instructional Programs to Educational TV

MIAMI BEACH, FLA.—N.B.C. will offer live programming to the nation's 22 educational TV stations over a period of 26 weeks in 1957. The plan was announced by Robert W. Sarnoff, N.B.C. president, at the corporation's 30th anniversary convention here.

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the educational stations over our network lines," Mr. Sarnoff explained. The educational program will consist of three half-hour presentations each week, with instruction in mathematics, the humanities and government. The courses will run for two 13 week periods, one beginning in March and one in October.

The Educational Television and Radio Center at Ann Arbor, Mich., is supplying the local loops to connect the educational stations with N.B.C.'s network lines and is consult-

ing closely with N.B.C. on the design of the programs.

Survey Shows Eating Habits May Not Improve With Age

MAYWOOD, ILL. — A recent survey of the eating habits of freshmen and upperclassmen here showed that wisdom does not necessarily come with age—as far as nutrition is concerned.

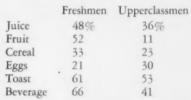
In fact, the eating habits of the 117 upperclassmen compared somewhat unfavorably with those of the 75 freshmen. This was true despite the

fact that all the upperclassmen surveyed were taking foods and nutrition courses, which had not been offered to the freshmen.

The survey was made at Proviso Township High School, Maywood, Ill., by Sally McCauley and Sandra Dillard, student dietitians at Hines Hospital, under the direction of Martha Moffit, instructor in dietetics there.

For both groups, breakfast was the weakest meal of the day: 12 per cent of all the students ate no breakfast; 34 per cent ate a poor breakfast, and 54 per cent ate a good breakfast. In their responses, students placed the responsibility for poor breakfast habits on themselves, not their parents.

Here is a comparison of the breakfast habits of the two groups:



At lunch time, only 50 per cent of the seniors reported that they ate in the school cafeteria, while 75 per cent of the freshmen did. Thirteen per cent of the upperclassmen ate lunch in restaurants, but none of the freshmen did. Lunches from home were brought by 37 per cent of the upperclassmen and 26 per cent of the freshmen.

The source of the lunch may have had some relationship to its content:

| | Freshmen | Upperclassmen |
|------------|----------|---------------|
| Sandwiches | 74% | 36% |
| Fruit | 42 | 18 |
| Milk | 80 | 54 |
| Soft drink | 6 | 23 |

For both groups, dinner was the most nutritious meal. Meat, potatoes, vegetables, salad and milk were included in at least 80 per cent of the diets, with one exception. Only 76 per cent of the freshmen ate salads, while 83 per cent of the upperclassmen did. Upperclassmen also made a better showing as vegetable eaters, with 98 per cent compared to 89 per cent of the freshmen.

Fifteen per cent of the freshmen and 18 per cent of the upperclassmen reported that they had gone on some kind of a diet at least once. The diets they listed included egg, starvation, salad and beverage, no breakfast, small lunch, and a diet consisting of 1200 calories a day.



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Princeton Head Finds Unequal **Equation in Course Credits**

Bronx, N.Y. - High school students should not be receiving equal credit for courses such as band instruction and algebra, the president of Princeton University asserted recently. Playing in the school band or practicing drum majorette exercises cannot be equated educationally with the mastery of English, mathematics or a foreign language, and only a superficial academic accounting system would grant similar credit for these subjects, Harold W. Dodds stated.

While noting that there were numerous exceptions among the public schools, Dr. Dodds charged that too often the secondary school system in this country is not fulfilling its duty "to cultivate the instinct to think."

Motivation Key to New York Intensive Reading Experiment

NEW YORK.—"Learning how to" may not be as important as "wanting to" when it's a case of children and reading. Recent experiments in 14 fifth grade classes here seem to bear out the contention that narrow emphasis on the technics of reading may be putting the cart before the horse.

In the New York experiment, enjoyment of reading was the primary focus. Over an eight-month period, the fifth graders were surrounded with reading materials. Each class had an additional fifty to one hundred library books and an attractive library corner. Teachers did more reading aloud to their classes; stories were dramatized by the children and in puppet shows; more time was devoted to book reports, and buttons, banners and prizes were awarded to stimulate reading interest

In addition, parents' cooperation was enlisted. The place of reading in the total school program was explained in parent-teacher conferences. Many parents joined libraries and set up library corners in their own homes.

At the end of the eight-month period, the average number of books read per pupil had jumped from 1.25 to 4.5. And these results were reported: (1) The children learned a love of reading; (2) the general reading ability of the children was improved; (3) the interests of the children were broadened and their taste

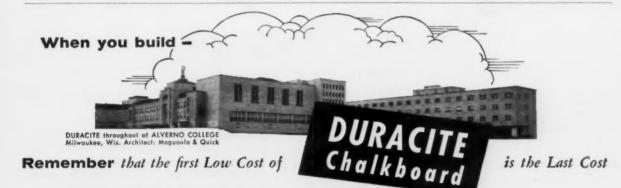
in literature was improved; (4) the children learned to use a library, and (5) parents were encouraged to purchase more and better books and were made aware of the importance of a home atmosphere conducive to read-

The project, described in a 133 page booklet entitled "Bringing Children and Books Together," was sponsored by the Library Club of America.

Still a Bargain. Chicago's board of education has authorized a cost hike from 25 to 27 cents for Type A lunches in elementary schools and from 35 to 37 cents in high schools. In 1956, the school lunch program operated at a deficit of \$321,926, Supt. Benjamin C. Willis told the board.

Up North. The N.A.A.C.P. has asked that neighborhood school boundaries in Chicago be redrawn so that there is a better mixing of school population and that some Negro teachers be assigned to predominantly white schools. The group contends that white faculties for white children and Negro for Negro has been the pattern in Chicago.

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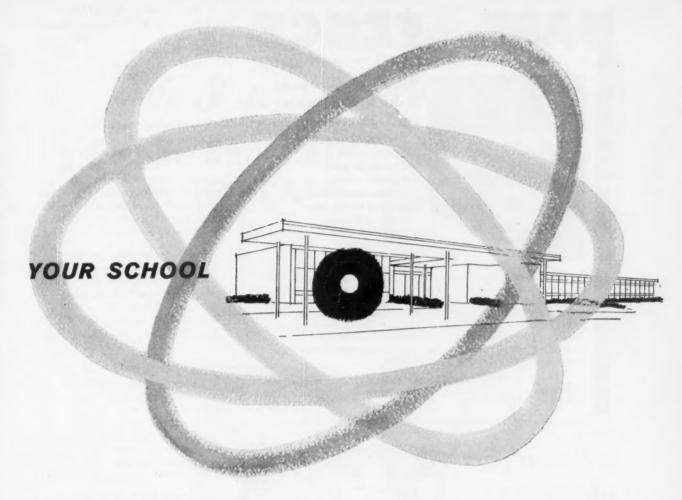
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Our Changing Times. Parents called off a two-day strike and sent their children back to school at Bonita Springs, Fla., while pickets still carried placards protesting against a school principal and a teacher. The complaint: The principal could not enforce school regulations, and the teacher could not keep discipline in his classes.

Branching Out. Michigan State University has received a gift valued at \$10 million for the establishment of a branch college in Oakland County in the Detroit suburban area. Donors Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson gave to the university their 1400 acre Meadow Brook estate and \$2 million.

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ABOUT PEOPLE

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Dayton Shepherd to Regional School District No. 4, comprising the towns of Essex, Deep River and Chester, Conn. Mr. Shepherd was formerly a high school principal in that district.

Wayne Bray to Howard County, Kokomo, Ind., succeeding the late W. W. Lindley, Howard County superintendent for the last 19 years. Mr. Bray was formerly a high school principal in Carroll County, Indiana.

Austin E. Walker to the metropolitan school district of Warren Township, Indiana, effective February 1.



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Leonard L. White, acting superintendent at Blackwell, Okla., to superintendent there.

James A. Bernard to Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., from Easthampton, Mass.

Elmer J. McKechnie to the Berwick Joint Area School System, Berwick, Pa., succeeding the late Kenneth L. Terry. Mr. McKechnie was a member of the high school faculty at Berwick.

Waino H. Nelmark to acting superintendent at Chisholm, Minn., succeeding the late E. R. Steffensrud, who had been associated with Chisholm schools since 1924. Mr. Nelmark formerly was coordinator of elementary education there.

Edward C. Manning to Supervisory Union No. 21, Hampton, Maine, from Supervisory Union No. 32, Livermore, Maine.

Arthur O. Horn to McKeesport, Pa., succeeding the late Leo A. Travis. Mr. Horn, former principal of McKeesport Technical High School, has been acting superintendent since Dr. Travis' death in September.

H. Edgar Riegle to Gettysburg Joint School District, Gettysburg, Pa., from the position of superintendent for Adams County, Gettysburg, succeeding Lloyd C. Keefauver.

Thomas C. Campbell, assistant superintendent of the Lakeview School System at St. Clair Shores, Mich., to superintendent there.

Eldon R. Crawford to the newly formed metropolitan school district of North Posey County, Wadesville, Ind., from the position of superintendent for Posey County, Mount Vernon, Ind.

Wayne Drexler to Dubuque County, Dubuque, Iowa. Mr. Drexler was principal at Farley, Iowa.

Gordon E. Peckham to Buckley, Mich., from Hersey, Mich., succeeding Harold B. Nichols, who is now superintendent at Lawrence, Mich.

Robert C. Wakefield to Antelope County, Neligh, Neb., from Oakdale, Neb., succeeding the late Harry Hahlbeck.

Walter G. Clifford to supervising principal for Hyde Park Central School District, Hyde Park, N.Y., from Canastota, N.Y.

Harvey D. Jensen to South St. Paul, Minn., from Winona, Minn.

Robert J. Durbin to Southeastern School District, Arcanum, Ohio, from Jackson School, Union City, Ind.

RESIGNED

LeRoy Pointer, superintendent at Big Springs, Neb.

Russell Borst, superintendent for Mecosta County, Big Rapids, Mich.

Paul C. Bryan, superintendent at Albany, Calif., effective in June.

Edwin F. McCooey, superintendent for Blackstone and Millville, Mass.

John M. Lumley, superintendent at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Floyd G. Parker, director of school building services for the Nebraska State Department of Education, to assistant professor of administrative and educational services at Michigan State University.

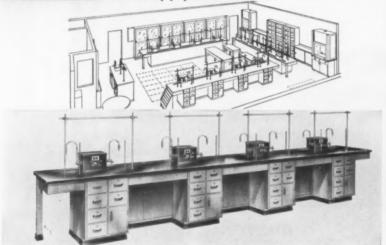
Walter N. Adamson, director of admissions and registration at Teachers College of Connecticut, New Britain, to senior research coordinator for the cooperative research program in the U.S. Office of Education.

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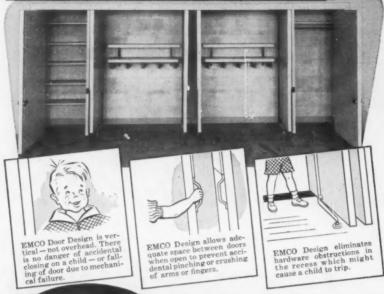
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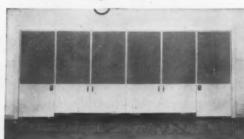


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DEATHS

John F. Conroy, 63, associate superintendent in charge of junior high schools for New York City. Mr. Conroy began his career as a teacher in New York schools and became successively assistant principal, principal and assistant superintendent in that system.

Ray H. Hamilton, 53, superintendent at Coleman, Mich.

THE BOOKSHELF

ADMINISTRATION

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State Associations of School Administrators in the South. An evaluative study, based on research by R. Edgar Moore, dean, Athens College, Athens, Ala. Prepared by Harold P. Adams, associate professor of education and associate director, Bureau of School Service, University of Kentucky. Bulletin of the Bureau of School Service, College of Education, University of Kentucky, Lexington. Pp. 33, \$1.

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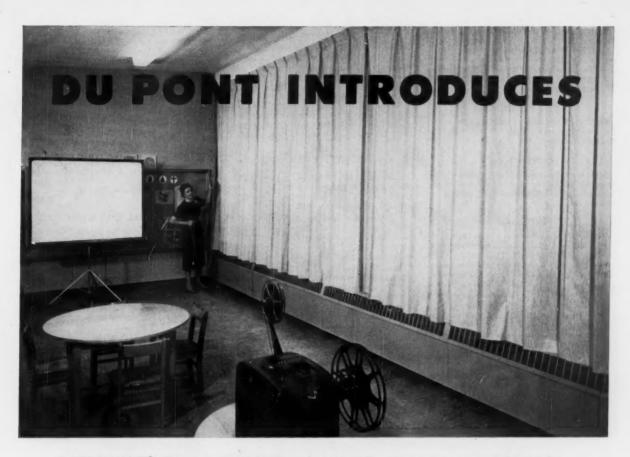
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14-16. National School Boards Association, Inc., Atlantic City, N.J.

14-16. American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, N.E.A., annual convention, Chicago,

15. Susan B. Anthony Day.

15-20. American Association of School Administrators, Atlantic City, N.J. 15-21. National Society for the Study of

Education, annual convention. Atlantic City, N.J.

16-20. National School Public Relations Association, N.E.A., midwinter meeting, Atlantic City, N.J.

18-20. American Educational Research Association, annual meeting, Atlantic City,

23-27. National Association of Secondary-School Principals, N.E.A., 41st annual convention, Washington, D.C.

MARCH

3-6. Department of Audio-Visual Instruction, N.E.A., national convention, Washington. D.C.

3-6. Association for Higher Education. N.E.A., 12th annual conference, Chicago. Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, N.E.A., 12th an-

nual conference, St. Louis. 20-23. National Science Teachers Association, N.E.A., national convention, Cleveland.

24-27. N.E.A. Department of Elementary School Principals, annual meeting, Cincinnati.

29-30. National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, N.E.A., 35th annual meeting. Philadelphia

APRIL

4. N.E.A. Centennial Birthday Party.

10-12. American Sponsored Schools in Latin America, Inter - American Schools Service of the American Council on Education, 3d annual convention, Washington,

21-26. Association for Childhood Education International, study conference, Los Angeles.

23-26. National Catholic Educational Association, Milwaukee

23-27. International Council for Exceptional Children, N.E.A., international conference, Pittsburgh.

JUNE

3-7. Southern States Work Conference, 18th annual meeting, Daytona Beach, Fla. 30-July 6. National Education Association, centennial convention. Philadelphia.

JULY

1-4. National School Public Relations Association, annual meeting, Philadelphia. 8-13. National School Public Relations Association, fourth annual seminar, New York.

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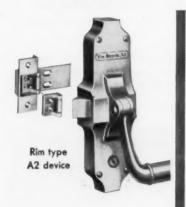
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Automatic Action Folds Table and Bench Unit

Known as "Portables of Tomorrow," the new line of Erickson portable Fold-



A-Way table and bench combination units is completely restyled. Automatic hydraulic action simplifies handling of the units in converting multi-use areas for lunchroom or study. When the unit is unlatched, it operates gently, safely and quietly by itself, saving time of custodian or engineer. Chrome steel is used in the fold-a-way understructure redesigned by Brooks Stevens Associates, industrial designers. The new shape simplifies seating with no bench braces to hurdle. The attractive tops, as well as the understructures, are constructed to withstand the rigors of everyday school

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The Naden N-525 Basketball Scoreboard features a 26-inch dial clock and four-inch white numerals to show the score and team names. The clock is graduated in seconds and minutes and employs a vivid red sweep second hand. Red bulls-eyes indicate playing period and a vibrating horn and red lights automatically indicate the end of play.



Actual team names can be inserted in place of "Home" and "Visitors" which fit into the scoreboard on slides. The scoreboard is available with an eight, 10 or 20-minute period clock and is 72 inches long and 28 inches high. Naden Industries, Webster City, Iowa.

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Floor Maintainer with Increased Power

The new Clarke FM-11 floor maintainer employs a specially designed 1/3 h.p. motor which provides 30 per cent more power with no increase in weight or size. The machine has an 11 inch brush which scrubs, waxes, polishes, steel wools, buffs and shampoos. The highpower motor has lifetime lubricated ball bearings and high starting torque. An adjustable handle locks in any position on a 90 degree arc and flip-up wheels automatically retract when the weight of the maintainer is shifted from wheels to brush. Clarke Sanding Machine Co.,

Muskegon, Mich.
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Tecfab Building Panels for Modern Construction

The result of ten years of research and development, Tecfab Panels of light weight masonry composition are new in design, use and economy. Consisting of a corrugated steel core embedded in precast perlite concrete, the Tecfab Panel can be used for complete wall, interior partition, floor and roof systems. It is quickly erected and features low initial, installation and maintenance costs.

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Improvements in the model include a honeycomb core bonded to Masonite on both sides and edged with Prestwood for the table tops, making them impervious to school abuse. Modification of the legs in structure and appearance improve their dual use as supports and as handles for folding and unfolding. The unit is easily and noiselessly folded and unfolded with minimum effort and maximum safety. The 14-gauge structural steel framework gives rigidity and durability and four-inch rubber casters assure easy mobility. The 1900 stationary model in six, seven or eight-foot lengths has all the new features and is designed te fit fixed seating needs. Sico Mfg. Co., Inc., 5202 Eden Ave. S., Minneapolis 24,

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Instant Nonfat Dry Milk in Institutional Container

A new cardboard container with a special inner wrapper which protects the milk powder from moisture is now available for Instant Pet Nonfat Dry Milk for institutional use. The large package features economy of packaging and filling, reducing the cost per quart of reconstituted nonfat milk. The fold-open inner wrapper makes the package easy to use and produces the moisture-proof package equal to glass, according to government tests. The new size, for 12 quarts of reconstituted nonfat milk, produces milk of the same fresh flavor with all protein, calcium and B vitamins of fresh milk with instant mixing. Pet Milk Co., 1401 Arcade Bldg., St. Louis 1, Mo.

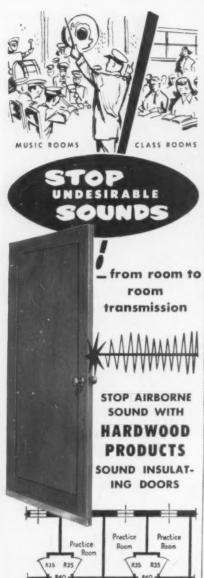
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Folding Chairs in Juvenile Size

Hampden has expanded its line of folding chairs with five new juvenile size models for kindergarten and lower elementary school use. All chairs withstand hard wear, yet are comfortably contoured and will not tip or wobble. The chairs are rustproof and feature a new multiple-



spray, chipproof enamel finish.

Three tubular steel models are availible: Model 61 with blond plywood eat; Model 66 with all steel seat, and Model 67, illustrated, with upholstered seat. Two models are constructed of channel steel: Model 64 with upholstered seat and Model 65 with steel seat. Frames are available in beige or gray with upholstered seats in a choice of brown, red or green. Hampden Specialty Products, Inc., Easthampton, Mass.

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Acoustical Tile Is Non-Combustible

With non-combustible qualities, Fresco Acoustical Tile looks like stippled plaster. The rough white finish may be spraypainted to match decorative schemes and is available in 12 by 12 or 12 by 24 inch sizes. Fresco may be installed on a concealed suspension system or adhered directly to the underside of any surface. Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Toledo 1, Ohio.

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Toilet Compartments in Junior Height

Mills has introduced a new junior height in its line of Marblmetal Floor Braced toilet compartments. The units



allow privacy for lower elementary and kindergarten children, yet permit supervision by the teacher in charge.

Mills floor braced compartments are easy to install and eliminate overhead bracing and unnecessary lines for modern attractive appearance. They are constructed of furniture steel, galvanized-Bonderized, or porcelain enamel steel, and finished in porcelain enamel or baked-on enamel in a choice of several colors. The Mills Company, 951 Wayside Rd., Cleveland 10, Ohio.

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The SPS Shop Drawing Unit, consisting of a fixed position drawing table, companion drawing board and drawer-tier storage cabinet, has been designed for use by many students. The drawing table is constructed with a single drawerslide under the working surface. Only one drawer, that of the student using the table during any given class, is installed in the table. Other drawers can be stored and locked with an individually fitted key in the drawer-tier unit. Drawing boards can similarly be stored in the cabinet, which holds 12 boards of any size up to 18 by 24 inches.

The drawing table employs a fixed position laminated wood top set on a base of heavy gauge satin finished aluminum tubing. Units, described as "boy-



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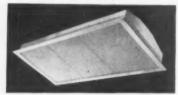
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machine is designed for speed, quiet operation and appearance to harmonize with modern decor. Keys are colored according to function, which simplifies and speeds operation. The higher cycling



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Adjustable Posture Chairs for Commercial Classrooms

Harco of Garrett has introduced a new line of adjustable posture chairs and stools to be used with their commercial room stands and tables. The chairs are



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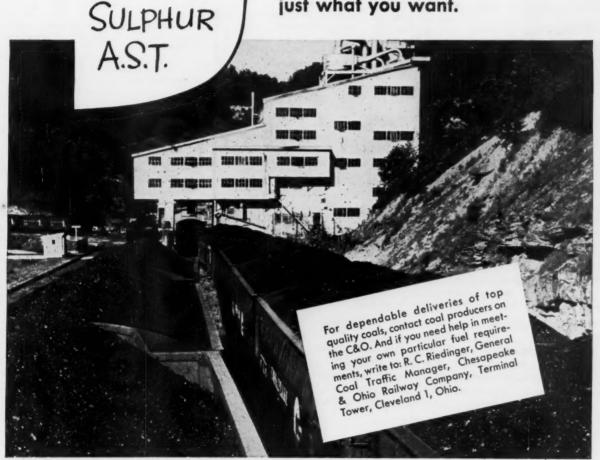
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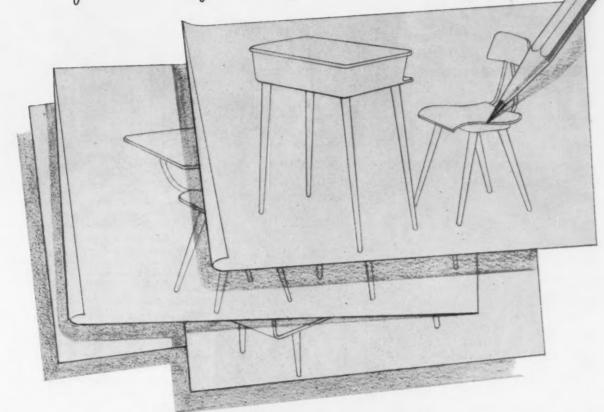


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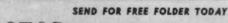


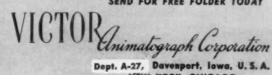
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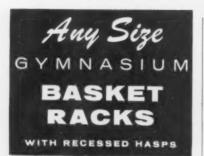




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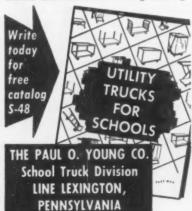
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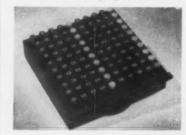


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Visual-Relief Map of South America

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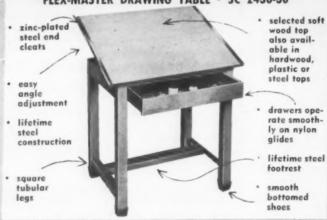
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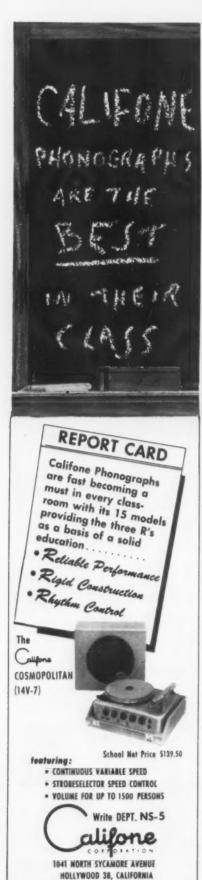
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The Barricks 2100 Series Folding Tables have been introduced with "Supr-Lyte" tops made of Fiberesin solid plastic. The surface resists fruit acids, burns, chipping, water and heat making the series practical for the hard-wear of institutional use. The tables are lightweight yet assure maximum seating capacity



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For heavy duty cleaning Nu-Steel #A150 is said to remove lime stains from dishwashers and coffee urns and heat tints and carbonized areas on stainless steel. United States Pumice Supply Co., Inc., 6331 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles 28, Calif. For more details circle #358 on mailing card.

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Literature and Services

- · Grade-Aid classroom furniture and equipment for primary and grammar schools is described and illustrated in a new four-page folder published by the Grade-Aid Division of Colonial Engineering Co., Inc., Cambridge 38, Mass. The two-color folder describes the functional features of Grade-Aid modular all-steel classroom sinks, work counters, storage cabinets and other equipment. with illustrations showing how the units can be grouped in any desired arrangement. Cut-away drawings, complete measurements and other specifications are shown in the brochure.

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- Floor Maintenance Equipment and Supplies available from Finnell System, Inc., 200 East St., Elkhart, Ind., are covered in a new Finnell four-page folder. The folder describes and illustrates the complete line, including a new heavy duty vacuum cleaner.
 For more details circle #360 on mailing card.
- · A four-page folder on "Vollrath Ware. Finest Stainless Steel for the School Lunchroom and Home Economics Classroom" is available from The Vollrath Company, Sheboygan, Wis. It pictures and describes Vollrath stainless steel cooking utensils and kitchenware and porce-

lain enameled ware for school use.

- How GPL ii-TV is applicable for ob- The advantages of three methods of servation, magnification, instruction and control in institutional and industrial situations is told in a new brochure released by General Precision Laboratory, 63 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville, N.Y. The leaflet discusses the four basic camera units for indoor and outdoor use, control and switch units and monitors and illustrates typical applications.
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 - #362 on mailing card.
- · A report on Soviet Russia today is presented in a paper bound book published by the National Cash Register Co., Dayton 9, Ohio. Profusely illustrated with photographs in color and black and white, the booklet tells the story of a recent tour of the Soviet Union. The informative publication presents interesting material on the Russian people, their cities, their living standard, their culture and religion, their stores and other subjects, as seen by an American business man on a visit to Russia.

For more details circle #363 on

• The General Film Catalog for 1956-1958 compiled by the Bureau of Audio-Visual Instruction, Extension Division. University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., is now available. The 128 page Extension Bulletin gives descriptive information and costs on the hundreds of sound films available from the Bureau and is indexed alphabetically and by subject matter.
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hot water perimeter piping systems for classroom unit ventilators are cleverly told by color and cartoons in Form 600-A9. Prepared by American Air Filter Co., Louisville 8, Ky., the booklet shows how each method successfully fills any individual requirement.

For more details circle #365 on mailing card.

· A folder with helpful guidance information is available from the Hammond Organ Company, 4200 W. Diversey, Chicago 39. Entitled "Opportunity Keys With Organ Music," the 12-page booklet outlines a variety of career opportunities available in a number of fields through

the electric organ.
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- "Delkote Developments for School Use" are described in a new catalog released by Delkote, Inc., 1419 Faulk Rd., Wilmington, Del. Suggestions on how Delkote adhesives, finishes, lacquers, cleaners and preservatives can be used in the classroom, library and school shop, and in plant maintenance are included. re details circle #367 on mailing card
- · Nearly 200 16 mm sound films available on free loan are described in the "Pocket Guide to Free Films." The booklet is available from Modern Talking Picture Service, Inc., 3 E. 54th St.. New York 22.

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- · "Arts and Crafts Furniture" is the subject of the attractive Catalog 219 released by Hamilton Mfg. Co., Two Rivers, Wis. The 64-page book has fourcolor printing on the inside covers, showing the finishes and colors in which the furniture is offered. Attractive line drawings picture the many items in the line and full descriptive information on storage units, mechanical drawing, shop and service equipment, as well as data on tops are included. The catalog also has several pages of suggested floor plans for various types of arts and crafts rooms.
 For more details circle #369 on mailing card.
- A new engineering specification handbook on Lawler Thermostatic Control Valves is available from Lawler Automatic Controls, Inc., Mt. Vernon, N.Y. Bulletin M-3 includes application information, graphs, diagrams and layouts.
 For more details circle #370 on mailing card.
- · Complete information on the specialized engineering services provided to architects and administrators by J. E. Stephens Associates, Inc., 116 Delaware, Detroit 2, Mich., is available in a new 40 page brochure on "Food Facilities 40 page Engineering."
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• Three national organizations have cooperated in the publication of a new booklet on the steps involved in establishing and operating an educational television station. Entitled "Educational TV for Your Community," the booklet discusses costs of establishing a station, presents the results of studies of present stations and indicates staff needs. Published by the Educational Television and Radio Center, 1610 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor, Mich., jointly with the Joint Council on Educational Television, Washington, D.C., and the National Association of Eduactional Broadcasters, Champaign-Urbana, Ill., the booklet describes the programs now being seen on educational television. It discusses the training possible through this medium, actual programs and courses within schools, and the steps necessary to activation of one of the 258 TV channels reserved for educational television.

ore details circle #372 on mailing card.

• A 12-page brochure, Edition 43, on "Ellison the Balanced Door" is available from Ellison Bronze Co., Inc., Jamestown, N. Y. The simple door control mechanism is described and design possibilities are suggested through the use of photographs of installations.

• The "Magnemite Series" portable tape recorders are described in a new folder available from Amplifier Corp. of America, 398 Broadway, New York 13. Performance characteristics and mechanical details of 15 models of the battery-operated, spring-motor magnetic tape recorders are explained. For more details circle #374 on mailing card.

• Multi-Purpose Power Shop Machines are described in a new 20-page booklet offered by DeWalt Inc., Lancaster, Pa. Photographs describe the many applications of the basic radial arm type machines together with detailed data and a listing of available tools and attach-

For more details circle #375 on mailing card.

• A free filmstrip, "An Introduction to Rubber," describes rubber from trees as well as man-made rubber and is available from Teachers Library, Inc., 1790 Broadway, New York 19. Sponsored by the U. S. Rubber Co., it is non-commercial in nature and is accompanied by a

Teachers Guide.
For more details circle #376 on mailing card.

• Information on the "2200 3-in-1 Plugmold Electrified Baseboard" is given in a new eight-page circular available from The Wiremold Co., Hartford 10, Conn. Known as Form 590, the folder illustrates and describes the wide application of 2200 Plugmold where multiple electrical outlets and additional circuits are needed.

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 For more details circle #378 on mailing card.
- The new AMF Lowerator Mobile Refrigerated Milk Carton and Bottle Dispenser is described and illustrated in a four-page folder offered by American Machine & Foundry Co., 261 Madison Ave., New York 16. How the new dispenser provides automatic dispensing at convenient counter level of half-pint milk cartons or bottles, how it can be wheeled to any desired position, and how it accommodates milk cartons or bottles of any shape or size are some of the details covered.

For more details circle #379 on mailing card.

- · Educators as well as dentists are offerred a full-color "Trans-Vision" Wall Chart by the Bureau of Dental Health Education of the American Dental Association, 22 E. Superior St., Chicago 11. The 10-page chart is designed to be hung on a wall and shows numerous dental conditions and what can be done to correct them. Double acetate pages are used in the chart to permit comparison be-tween normal and abnormal conditions. For more details circle #380 on mailing card
- Trion Electronic Air Cleaners for installation in ventilating system air returns for dirt removal are described in a catalog available from Trion, Inc., 1000 Island Ave., McKees Rocks, Pa. The new 12-page booklet also contains complete engineering data, size and capacity tables and component parts information of particular interest to engineers and architects.
 For more details circle #381 on mailing card

- Nabisco has published a new booklet on its complete line of individual service varieties available to the institutional fields. Entitled "It Costs So Little to Serve the Best," the booklet includes service suggestions and cost per serving, and is available from National Biscuit Co., 449 W. 14th St., New York 14.
 For more details circle #382 on mailing card
- Records to accompany the filmstrip series, "Stories of Music Classics," are now provided by The Jam Handy Organization, 2821 E. Grand Blvd., Detroit 11, Mich. The individual classics in the music appreciation series include Sleeping Beauty, William Tell, Midsummer Night's Dream, Swan Lake, Bartered Bride and Scheherazade. One side of the record adapts the musical selection to follow the filmstrip story while the second side presents the full orchesral rendition.

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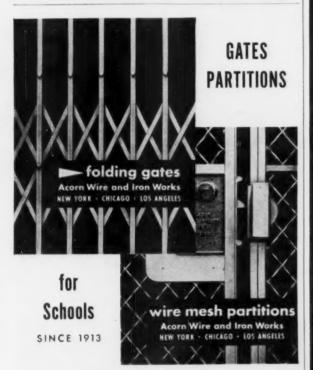
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• How congested areas can use power sweeping is told in a new booklet entitled "Can We Use Mechanized Sweeping Profitably?" Issued by G. H. Tennant Co., 2526 N. 2nd St., Minneapolis 11, Minn., the booklet discusses aisle widths, dust control, possible cost savings and includes a check-list to pre-determine the advantages of a sweeper's usefulness.

For more details circle #384 on mailing card.

• Information on Documentary Films About Britain and the Commonwealth is contained in a catalog prepared by British Information Services, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20. The 24-page booklet describes nearly one hundred 16 mm sound films available in black and white and color.
For more details circle #385 on mailing card.

· The new edition of "The Audio-Visual Equipment Directory" is now available from the National Audio-Visual Assn., 2540 Eastwood Ave., Evanston, Ill. It serves as a guide to all kinds of current A-V equipment and includes photographs of 447 separate models with complete specifications and prices for each. The 200-page directory sells at \$4.25 per copy. For more details circle #386 on mailing card.

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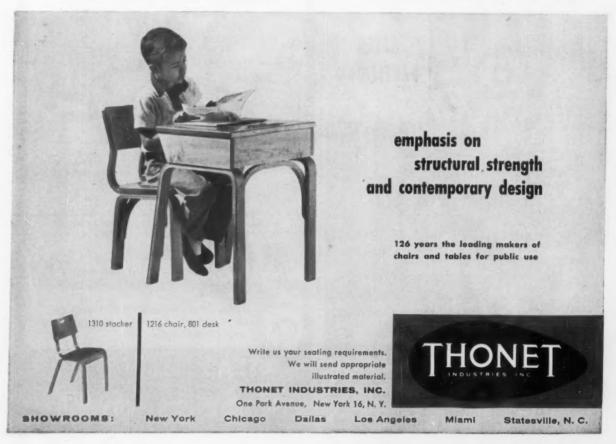
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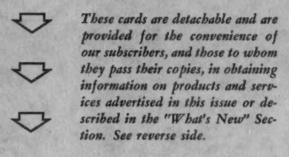
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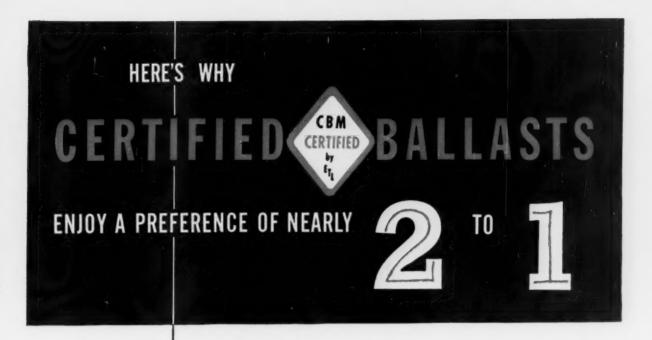
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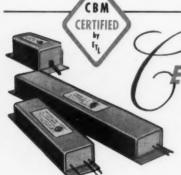
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